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TOWN OF NEW DURHAM

New Hampshire

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Soccer Action at Elmer C. Smith Recreation Fields

IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY - CALL:

EMERGENCY

DIAL: 9·1·1 (NEW HAMPSHIRE — FIRE • POLICE • MEDICAL)

Be sure to give your name and address clearly, as well as the nature of your emergency. **DO NOT HANG UP** until you are sure that your message has been understood.

INFORMATION DIRECTORY

FOR ANSWERS ON:	CALL THE:	
Administration	Town Administrator	859-2091
Assessments	Land Use Clerk	859-7171
Births & Deaths	Town Clerk	859-2091
Building & Occupancy Permits	Building Inspector	859-7171
(Thursday Evenings 7 - 9 PM and Saturdays 9 AM - Noon)		
Burning Permits	Forest Fire Warden	859-5046
Dogs - Licenses	Town Clerk	859-2091
Dogs - At Large	Police Dispatch	859-2751
Elections - Voter Registration	Town Clerk	859-2091
Health Complaints & Inspection	Health Officer	859-7150
Library	Library/Resource Center	859-2201
Motor Vehicle Registration	Town Clerk	859-2091
Planning Board	Land Use Clerk	859-7171
Police (Routine)	Police Department	859-2752
Recreation	Recreation Director	859-2061
Rec. Hotline	Current Events	859-5666
Refuse - Transfer Station	Solid Waste Manager	859-8080
Road Maintenance	Road Agent	859-8000
School Registration	Elementary School	859-2061
Taxes	Tax Collector	859-2091
Welfare - Public Assistance	Welfare Director	859-0204
Zoning & Land Use Regulations	Land Use Clerk	859-7171

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New Durham Town Hall & Land Use	ndurham@worldpath.net
Town Administration	ndadmin@worldpath.net
Town Clerk	ndclerk@worldpath.net
Highway Department	ndhd@worldpath.net
Welfare Officer	ndassist@worldpath.net
Parks & Recreation	ndrec@worldpath.net

New Durham Food Pantry	859-0204
Rural District Visiting Nurse Association	1-755-2202
Strafford County Community Action Committee (CAP)	1-749-1334

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NEW DURHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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Population	**2,295**
Registered Voters	**1,350**
2003 Net Property Valuation	**$154,994,450**
2003 Tax Rate	**$31.10**

IN MEMORIUM

Robert E. "Bob" Bickford

1925 - 2003

New Durham Fire Department
1944 - 1991
New Durham Fire Chief
1945 - 1946
John C. Shirley Cemetery Trustee
1993 - 2002
Fire Department Membership Committee
1997 - 2003

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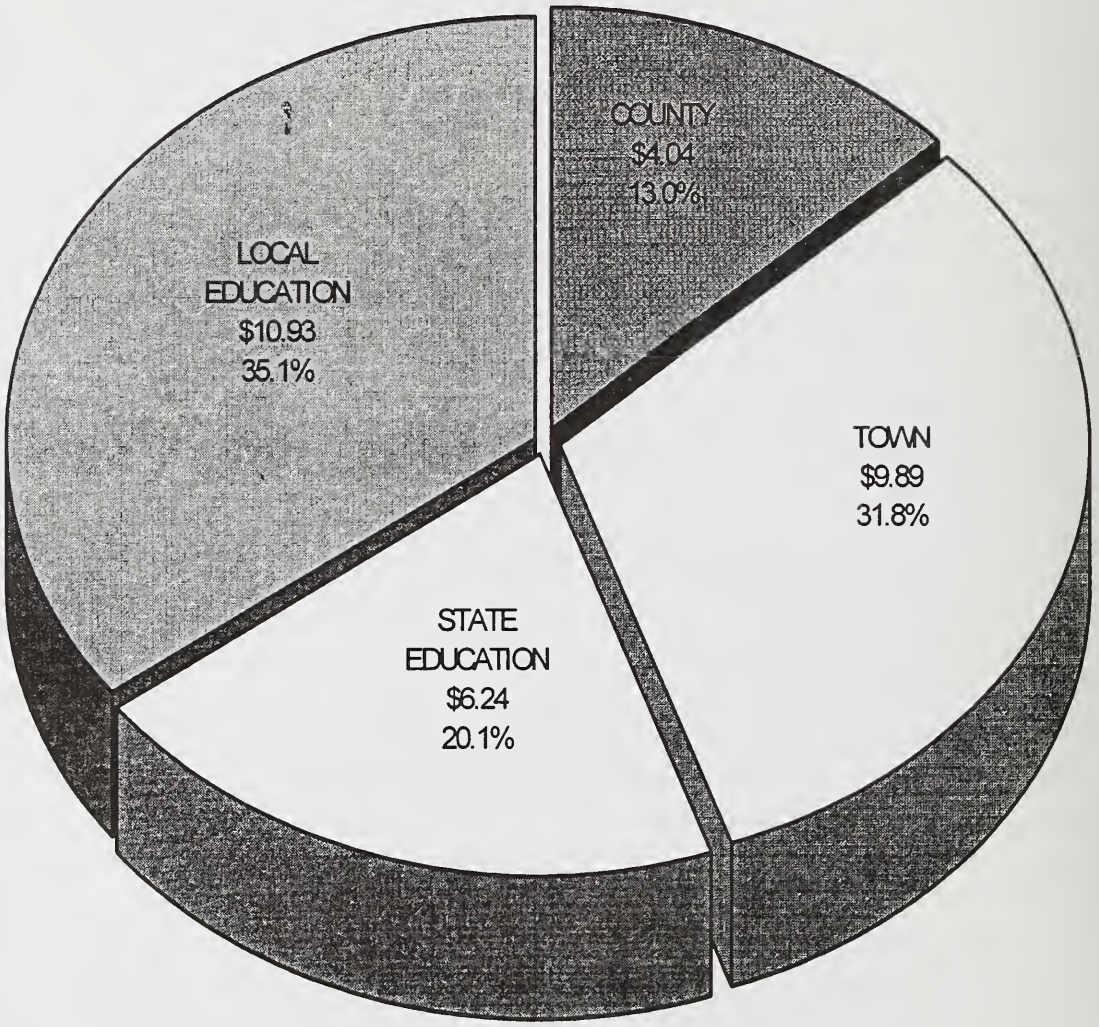
YOUR 2003 TAX DOLLAR



TOTAL TAX RATE $31.10 PER $1,000

NEW DURHAM CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

Joanne Heger

with Dot Martin

Citizen of the Year 1999

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

We are pleased to submit this annual report to the citizens of New Durham which details the activities of our municipal government in 2003.

During the past year, the long anticipated revaluation of property commenced in earnest. Prior Boards of Selectmen and Town Meeting voters had been preparing for this undertaking since 1999, when funds were first set aside in a Capital Reserve Fund for the needed work.

In late 2002, the NH Board of Tax and Land Appeals (NHBTLA) ordered the Town to proceed with its plans to commence a needed revaluation in 2003, which is to be completed and implemented by the second tax billing of 2004.

In 2002, we solicited bids for the Town's revaluation work and with the assistance of Assessor Bob Estey, sifted through the details of five proposals. We selected Vision Appraisal Technology of Northboro, MA for this work. Many of you during the past year have been visited by representatives of Vision since they began the arduous task of measuring and listing all of the nearly 2,500 parcels in our community.

The determination of the value of property for the purposes of taxation is a delicate and personal process. It is one which affects every single property owner in our community. It is a time consuming process if it is to be done right.

Fully one-quarter of these properties are located on Merrymeeting Lake, with a significant number of property owners being from places other than New Durham. One major reason the Town sought an 18 month approach to the revaluation was to afford two spring & summer seasons for assessing officials to meet face-to-face with out-of-state property owners, instead of attempting to do so through long distance communications. This time will afford all parties concerned, resident and non-resident alike, adequate time to deal with issues and concerns that will inevitably arise in this process. Hopefully, by taking this time, it will minimize the number of appeals property owners may feel they have to file. This approach was one which was fully supported by the NHBTLA in its decision on New Durham.

It has been an honor for us, individually and collectively, to work on your behalf in managing the affairs of our community. The confidence you have demonstrated by electing us to the Board of Selectmen is a responsibility we take seriously. We have worked hard to always try to communicate with each other and the public in an effort to address matters in a constructive manner.

To all Town officers, employees and volunteers, we express our sincere appreciation for your continued dedicated service to the citizens of New Durham. Please, keep up the good work!

Paul R. Gelinas, Jr., *Chairman*

Phillip J. Kenny, *Selectman*

M. Dean Stimpson, *Selectman*

NEW DURHAM BOARD OF SELECTMEN

January 12, 2004

TOWN OFFICERS

BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES

Town Moderator	James F. Fenske	2004
Assistant	Richard Oban	2004
Selectmen	Paul R. Gelinas, Jr., *Chairman*	2004
	Phillip J. Kenny	2005
	M. Dean Stimpson	2006
Town Clerk	Carole M. Ingham	2004
Deputy	Elaine R. Stimpson+	
	Mary K. McHale **	
Tax Collector	Carole M. Ingham	2004
Deputy	Vickie L. Blackden *	
	Mary K. McHale **	
Treasurer	Jodie Beem	2004
Deputy	Joanne V. Heger	
Town Administrator	William G. Herman	
Town Bookkeeper	Elaine R. Stimpson +	
	Vickie L. Blackden **	
Auditors	Plodzik & Sanderson, P.A.	
Assessor	Robert A. Estey	
Building Inspector/ Code Enforcement	David T. Lindberg	2004
Assistant	Richard Grondin	2004
Animal Control Officer	Brett Murray	2004
Budget Committee	Richard Oban*	2006
	Joanne V. Heger*	2004
	David C. Shagoury	2006
	Mark D. Jarvis, *Chairman*	2004
	Cecile Chase	2005
	Catherine Orlowicz*	2005

** - Resigned* *+ - Retired* *** - Appointed*

TOWN OFFICERS, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES

Budget Committee *(Continued)*	Ann Brady**	2005
	Dan Bell **	2004
	Madeleine Auger **	2006
	Christine Joy, *Alternate*	2005
	Virginia Skinner, *CCVD Representative*	
	Phillip J. Kenny, *Selectmen's Representative*	
John C. Shirley Cemetery Trustees	Catherine Orlowicz, *Chair**	2004
	Tom Mason	2005
	Michael Clarke	2006
Sexton	Kevin Hodgson	
Conservation Commission	Paul Zuzgo, *Chairman*	2004
	Charles Berube	2004
	Dwight Jones	2006
	Linda Zacharias	2005
	Vacant	2005
	Carole M. Ingham, *Alternate*	2005
	M. Dean Stimpson, *Selectmen's Rep.*	2004
Emergency Management Director	Theresa Jarvis	
Deputy	William G. Herman	
Fire Chief	Brad Meyerriecks, *Fire Chief*	2004
	John Nicastro, III, *Deputy Fire Chief*	
	Theresa Jarvis, *Captain*	
	David Stuart, *Lieutenant*	
Fire Department Membership Committee	John Nicastro, III, *Chairman*	
	Robert Bickford, *Former New Durham Fire Chief*	
	Mark D. Jarvis, *Fire Department Representative*	
	Douglas Scruton, *Police Dept. Representative*	
	William G. Herman, *Town Administrator*	
Forest Fire Warden	Brad Meyerriecks	2004
Deputy Wardens	Theresa Jarvis	2004
	David Lindberg	2004

** - Resigned* *** - Appointed*

TOWN OFFICERS, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES

Forest Fire Deputy Wardens *(Continued)*	John Nicastro, III	2004
	David Stuart	2004
	Leon Smith	2004
Health Officer	James W. Grigg	2004
Deputy	David T. Lindberg	2004
Library Trustees	Eileen M. Ryan	2004
	Sharon Doherty	2006
	Holly Hobbs Shaffer, *Chairman*	2004
	Kimberly Nottage	2005
	Lisa Nicol	2005
Library Director	Duane Shaffer	
Meeting House Park Committee	Catherine Orlowicz, *Chairman*	Eloise Bickford
	Cheryl Cullimore	Lorna Hardy
Northern Strafford County Health & Safety Council	William G. Herman	
Overseer of Public Welfare	Betsy T. Booth	2006
Parks & Recreation Commission	Loran Smith, Jr.	2004
	Brenda Fontaine, *Chairman*	2005
	Celeste Chasse	2006
	Dale Sprague	2004
	George Chasse	2006
	Jeff Guevin	2005
Recreation Director	Russell E. Perrin	
Planning Board	Donald Voltz, *Vice Chairman*	2005
	David Lindberg	2004
	Shirley Currier*	2004
	Ron Gehl, *Chairman*	2006
	Arthur W. Hoover**	2004
	Paul R. Gelinas, Jr., *Ex-officio*	2004

** - Resigned* *** - Appointed*

TOWN OFFICERS, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES

Planning Board *(Continued)*	Robert Craycraft, *Alternate*	2005
	George Gale, *Alternate*	2006
	Douglas O'Neil, *Alternate* *	2004
Police Chief	Douglas J. Scruton	
Strafford Regional Planning Commission	Ron Gehl	2005
	Vacant	
Rurual District Visiting Nurse Association	Mauri Kenny	
Road Agent	Mark J. Fuller	
Supervisors of the Checklist	Betsy T. Booth	2008
	Joanne V. Heger*	2004
	Mauri Kenny	2006
	Judi Nicastro**	2004
Town Historian	Eloise R. Bickford	2004
Associate	Catherine Orlowicz	
Trustees of Trust Funds	Kathryn B. Woods	2006
	Elaine R. Stimpson, *Treasurer*	2005
	Carleton W. Woods	2004
Zoning Board of Adjustment	Theresa Jarvis, *Chairman*	2006
	Mauri Kenny, *Vice Chairman*	2005
	Joanne V. Heger*	2004
	Helen Wellman	2004
	Lawrence Prelli	2005
	Peter Russell**	2004
	William McGrew, *Alternate*	2005
	Vacant, *Alternate*	2004

** - Resigned* *** - Appointed*

RECORD OF TOWN ELECTION
MARCH 11, 2003

The voting for the annual Town Meeting began at 10:00 AM as declared by the Moderator James Fenske. The Moderator inspected both the town's and the school district's ballot boxes by opening and displaying them to the public, and then locked both boxes for voting. At 7:00 PM the Moderator declared the polls closed. There were 1,347 registered voters on the checklist when the polls opened. Only one new voter registered at the polls with the Supervisors of the Checklist. A total of two hundred thirty-nine (239) voters voted (2 were by absentee).

ARTICLE #1: *To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year. (By Official Ballot)*

Selectman for three years:	Robert H. Kroepel	51 votes
	M. Dean Stimpson	**146 votes**
Treasurer for one year:	**Jodie Beem**	**205 votes**
Trustee of Trust Fund for three years:		
	Kathryn Woods	**218 votes**
Two (2) Library Trustee for two years:		
	Lisa Nicol	**203 votes**
	Kim Nottage	**23 votes** (write-in)
Library Trustee for three years:		
	Sharon Doherty	**220 votes**
Cemetery Trustee for three years:		
	Michael R. Clarke	**160 votes**
	Randy S. Comeau	52 votes

ARTICLE #2. *To see what action the Town will take on the following proposed amendments to the New Durham Zoning and Land Use Ordinance. (By Official Ballot)*

Amendment No. 1 - *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 proposed by the Planning Board for the New Durham Zoning and Land Use Ordinance as follows:*

"Amend Article IV.A.1., Article IV.B.1.d and Article XI (Definitions) to add provisions allowing the construction of "in-law apartments" under certain conditions."

PASSED **179 Yes** 52 No

Amendment No. 2 - *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment # 2 proposed by the Planning Board for the New Durham Zoning and Land Use Ordinance as follows:*

"Amend Article V. A. 1. relating to processing applications for Special Exceptions, to eliminate the requirement that the application goes first to the Planning Board."

PASSED **134 Yes** 91 No

Amendment No. 3 - *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #3 proposed by the Planning Board for the New Durham Zoning and Land Use Ordinance as follows:*

"Amend Article VIII. E. to remove reference to the Town's Health Officer for review of Special Exceptions."

PASSED **131 Yes** 88 No

Amendment No. 4 - *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment # 4 proposed by the Planning Board for the New Durham Zoning and Land Use Ordinance as follows:*

"Amend Article VIII. E. 1. to eliminate the need for Special Exceptions for residential driveways in the Wetlands Conservation Overlay District."

FAILED 106 Yes **118 No**

Amendment No. 5 - *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #5 proposed by the Planning Board for the New Durham Zoning and Land Use Ordinance as follows:*

"Amend Article XI (Definitions) to add a definition for the term "residential driveway".

PASSED **179 Yes** 45 No

Amendment No. 6 - *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment # 6 proposed by the Planning Board for the New Durham Zoning and Land Use Ordinance as follows:*

"Delete the words "public road" and replace them with the word "road" in the following four Articles: Article IV.C.2. "Residential-Recreational-Agricultural Minimum Building Area"; Article V.B. 2. A. "Special Exceptions General Requirements for Uses Permitted by Special

Exception Setbacks"; Article X.F.1.C. "Non-Conforming Buildings, Land or Uses Setbacks-Leachfields"; and Article X.F.2.A. "Non-Conforming Buildings, Land or Uses Setbacks - Buildings".

PASSED **148 Yes** 72 No

ARTICLE #3: *To see if the Town is in favor of the adoption of the following amendment proposed by the Planning Board to the New Durham Building Regulations. (By Official Ballot)*

"Amend the building conforming and non-conforming setbacks language to be consistent with the requirements of the New Durham Zoning and Land Use Ordinance."

PASSED **180 Yes** 154 No

The meeting was officially recessed by the Moderator to resume on Wednesday, March 12, 2003 at 7:00 PM at the New Durham School to take up Articles #4 through 22.

RECORD OF TOWN MEETING

MARCH 12, 2003

The Town Meeting at the New Durham School was called to order by Moderator James Fenske at 7:00 PM. The Moderator reminded the voters to check-in with the Supervisors of the Checklist to pick-up their voter card and paper ballot for Article #4. Mauri Kenny led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Moderator introduced Selectmen Paul Gelinas, Jr., Dean Stimpson and Phillip Kenny, Town Administrator William Herman and Town Clerk Carole Ingham.

The Moderator recognized Rodney Doherty, who made a presentation of the "Citizen of the Year" Award to Joanne Heger for her many years of community service.

After reviewing the rules of the meeting, the Moderator announced the results of the previous day's election.

ARTICLE #4: *To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $55,000 for the purpose of making improvements to the layout and facilities of the New Durham Solid Waste and Recycling Facility as recommended by the Solid Waste Advisory Committee. The $55,000 is to be raised by the issuance of serial bonds and notes under and in compliance with the provisions of the Municipal Finace Act (NHRSA 33:1 et seq., as amended), and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take such actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interest of the Town of New Durham. Any income derived from temporary investment of the bond proceeds shall be utilized for this project or returned to the General Fund of the Town. (Two-thirds vote required). (By Paper Ballot) The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. BY SELECTMEN*

Phillip Kenny made the motion, "To raise and appropriate the sum of **$46,000** for the purpose of making improvements to the layout and facilities of the New Durham Solid Waste and Recycling Facility as recommended by the Solid Waste Advisory Committee. The **$46,000** is to be raised by the issuance of serial bonds and notes under and in compliance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NHRSA 33:1 et seq., as amended), and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take such actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interest of the Town of New Durham. Any income derived from temporary investment of the bond proceeds shall be utilized for this project or returned to the General Fund of the Town". Seconded by Paul Gelinas, Jr.

The Moderator stated that a paper ballot requiring two-thirds majority vote was needed to pass this article. The polls opened at 7:20 PM and closed at 7:35 PM. The ballots were counted by tellers under the supervision of Assistant Moderator Richard Oban. The Moderator declared the article adopted.

PASSED	**74 Yes**	18 No	**$46,000**

ARTICLE #5: *To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a lease/purchase agreement for the purpose of acquiring additional solid waste handling equipment for the New Durham Solid Waste and Recycling Facility valued at $30,000, and to raise and appropriate the sum of $3,500.00 for the FY 2003 payments on the lease/*

purchase agreement. (Majority vote required) The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. BY SELECTMEN

Motion made by Phillip Kenny, seconded by Paul Gelinas, Jr. There were no questions. A voice vote was taken and the Moderator declared the article adopted by a majority vote.

PASSED $3,500

ARTICLE #6: *To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $35,000.00 to be added to the Highway Department Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. BY SELECTMEN*

Motion was made by Dean Stimpson, seconded by Phillip Kenny There were no questions. A voice vote was taken and the Moderator declared the article adopted.

PASSED $35,000

ARTICLE #7: *To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $166,045.00 for the maintenance, construction and reconstruction of town-maintained roads. Of the $166,045.00, $91,045.00 will be received through State Highway Block Grant Aid from the State of New Hampshire, and the balance of $75,000.00 would be raised by taxation. The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. BY SELECTMEN*

Motion was made by Dean Stimpson, seconded by Paul Gelinas, Jr. There were no questions. A voice vote was taken and the Moderator declared the article adopted.

PASSED $166,045

ARTICLE #8: *To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000.00 to be added to the Davis Crossing Road Culvert/ Drainage Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. BY SELECTMEN*

Motion was made by Dean Stimpson, seconded by Phillip Kenny. There were no questions. A voice vote was taken and the Moderator declared the article adopted.

PASSED $5,000

ARTICLE #9: *To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000.00 to be added to the Highway Department Chipper Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. BY SELECTMEN*

Motion was made by Dean Stimpson, seconded by Paul Gelinas, Jr. There were no questions. A voice vote was taken and the Moderator declared the article adopted.

PASSED $5,000

ARTICLE #10: *To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $14,000.00 to be added to the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. BY SELECTMEN*

Motion was made by Paul Gelinas, Jr., seconded by Dean Stimpson. A voice vote was taken and the Moderator declared the article adopted.

PASSED $14,000

ARTICLE #11: *To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA Chapter 35 for the purpose of providing for the replacement of fire trucks for the New Durham Fire Department, to raise and appropriate the sum of $20,000.00 to be placed in this fund, and to designated the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. BY SELECTMEN*

Motion was made by Fire Chief Brad Meyerriecks, seconded by Paul Gelinas, Jr. A voice vote was taken and the Moderator declared the article adopted.

PASSED $20,000

ARTICLE #12: *To see if the Town will vote to establish an Expendable General Trust Fund under the provisions of RSA Chapter 31:19-a, to be known as the Forest Fire Control Fund, to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 to be placed in this fund, and to designated the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. BY SELECTMEN*

Motion was made by Fire Chief Brad Meyerriecks, seconded by Paul Gelinas, Jr. A voice vote was taken and the Moderator declared the article adopted.

PASSED **$2,000**

ARTICLE #13: *To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $32,000.00 for the acquisition and set-up of an emergency generator for use at the Town's Emergency Operations Shelter at the New Durham School or in other locations as conditions may warrant. Of the $32,000.00, $24,000.00 will be received through grant from the NH Office of Emergency Management, and the balance of $8,000.00 will be transferred from the unexpended fund balance (surplus) as of December 31, 2002. The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. BY SELECTMEN*

Motion was made by Theresa Jarvis, seconded by Phillip Kenny. There were no questions. A voice vote was taken and the Moderator declared the article adopted.

PASSED **$32,000**

ARTICLE #14: *To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $35,000.00 to be added to the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. BY SELECTMEN*

Motion was made by Phillip Kenny, seconded by Paul Gelinas, Jr. A voice vote was taken and the Moderator declared the article adopted.

PASSED **$35,000**

ARTICLE #15: *To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000 to be added to the 1772 Meeting House Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. BY TOWN HISTORIAN ELOISE BICKFORD*

Motion was made by Eloise Bickford, seconded by Catherine Orlowicz. There were no questions. A voice vote was taken and the Moderator declared the article was adopted.

PASSED **$2,000**

ARTICLE #16: *To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the exisiting "Town Hall Improvements Expendable Trust Fund" to the "Town Buildings Improvements Expendable Trust Fund". (Two-thirds vote required) BY SELECTMEN*

Motion was made by Dean Stimpson, seconded by Paul Gelinas, Jr. A voice vote was taken and the Moderator declared the article was adopted.

PASSED

ARTICLE #17: *To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $11,000 to be added to various expendable general trust funds previously established, including:*

Computer & Office Equipment Maintenance Trust Fund	*$ 2,000*
Uncared for Graveyards Trust Fund	*$ 1,000*
Accrued Benefits Liability Fund	*$ 5,000*
Records Management Trust Fund	*$ 1,000*
Town Buildings Improvement Trust Fund	*$ 2,000*

The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. BY SELECTMEN

Motion was made by Phillip Kenny, seconded by Dean Stimpson. There were no questions. A voice vote was taken and the Moderator declared the article adopted.

PASSED **$11,000**

ARTICLE #18: *To see if the Town will vote to expand the purpose of the existing "New Durham Ambulance Special Revenue Fund" established in 1995 to include the costs of the ambulance billing service used to generate the revenue that is dedicated to this fund. (Two-thirds vote required) BY SELECTMEN*

Motion was made by Paul Gelinas, Jr., seconded by Dean Stimpson. A voice vote was taken and the Moderator declared the article was adopted.

PASSED

ARTICLE #19: *To see if the Town will vote to amend the existing agreement under Section 218 of the Social Security Act by excluding the services performed by election workers for a calendar year in which the remuneration paid for such service is less than $1,200. The $1,200 limit on the excludable amount of remuneration paid in a calendar year for the services specified in this modification will be subject to adjustment for calendar years after 2002 to reflect changes in wages in the economy without any further modification of this agreement, with respect to such services performed during such calendar years, in accordance with Section 218 (c) (8) (B) of the Social Security Act. BY SELECTMEN*

Motion was made by Dean Stimpson, seconded by Phillip Kenny. There were no questions. A voice vote was taken and the Moderator declared the article adopted.

PASSED

ARTICLE #20: *To see if the Town will accept the following resolution:*

"Whereas, New Hampshire residents pay the 12th highest cost of insurance in the country, and;

"Whereas; the cost of health insurance premiums for families has increased by 45% over the past three years; and

"Whereas, 100,000 New Hampshire residents have no health insurance coverage and 77% of them have a full-time worker at home; and

"Whereas, due to these rising costs almost half of New Hampshire's small business can not afford health coverage for their employees, therefore be it resolved

"That we, the citizens of New Durham, New Hampshire, call on our elected officials from all levels of government, and those seeking office, to work with consumers, businesses and health care providers to ensure that:

"Everyone, including the self-employed, unemployed, un- and underinsured, and small business owners have access to an affordable basic health plan similar to what federal employees receive;

"Everyone, including employers, consumers and the state, local and federal government makes a responsible and fair contribution to finance the health care system;

"Everyone receives high quality care that is cost efficient and medicallly effective, and

"That these efforts help control the skyrocketing cost of health care." BY PETITON

Motion made by Eileen Ryan to have the Town vote to adopt the following resolution:

"Whereas, New Hampshire residents pay the **2nd** highest cost of insurance in the country, and;

"Whereas, the cost of health insurance premiums for families has increased by 45% over the past three years; and

"Whereas, 100,000 New Hampshire residents have no health insurance coverage and 77% of them have a full-time worker at home; and

"Whereas, due to these rising costs almost half of New Hampshire's small business can not afford health coverage for their employees, therefore be it resolved

"That we, the citizens of New Durham, New Hampshire, call on our elected officials from all levels of government, and those seeking office, to work with consumers, businesses and health care providers to ensure that:

"Everyone, including the self-employed, unemployed, un- and underinsured, and small business owners have access to an affordable basic health plan similar to what federal employees receive;

"Everyone, including employers, consumers and the state, local and federal government makes a responsible and fair contribution to finance the health care system;

"Everyone receives high quality care that is cost efficient and medicallly effective, and

"That these efforts help control the skyrocketing cost of health care."

Seconded by Richard McCormack.

Mrs. Ryan spoke briefly about the article. State Representative David Bickford invited the public to Concord to speak to the Legislative Committee or suggested writing a letter to your Representatives and Senators. After a brief discussion, a voice vote was taken and the Moderator declared the article adopted.

PASSED

ARTICLE #21: *To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,022,411.00 to defray the expenses for general town government operations, said sum does not include special or individual articles previously addressed. The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. BY SELECTMEN*

Motion made by Budget Committee Chairman Mark Jarvis, seconded Paul Gelinas, Jr. There were no questions. A voice vote was taken and the Moderator declared the article adopted.

PASSED **$2,022,411**

ARTICLE #22: *To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.*

There was no other business and the Moderator declared the meeting adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted;

Carole M. Ingham

Carole M. Ingham
Town Clerk

A true copy of record, ATTEST:

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of New Durham
New Durham, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of New Durham, New Hampshire as of and for the year ended December 31, 2002 as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The general purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group which should be included in order to conform with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Town of New Durham has not maintained historical cost records of its fixed assets. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed assets account group is not known.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of New Durham as of December 31, 2002, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements of the Town of New Durham taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements listed as schedules in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of New Durham. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

Plodzik & Sanderson
Professional Association

March 14, 2003

REPORT FROM THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

During the past year, efforts that have been ongoing for a number of years came to fruition with little fanfare or recognition. These efforts have been serious, and have resulted in significant financial savings for New Durham taxpayers. Financial management, bookkeeping and risk management are not things that make headlines unless they go terribly wrong and the public's trust has been violated due to criminal activity. In 2003, however, several ongoing efforts by New Durham officials all came home to roost that are deserving of notation.

For the past three years, there has been a concerted effort to improve the Town's finance management systems. Certainly all Town finances have been accurately tracked in the past, which is attested to by annual audits. Recognizing things can always be improved, an effort was made to make full use of the Town's fund accounting and general ledger systems to manage and improve the Town's cash flow.

Municipal governments in New Hampshire are a rare form of business. They provide all services for their customers for at least six months, and in some cases 12, before being paid for those services. They also serve as the bank for other entities -- namely school districts, counties and village districts -- with state statutes requiring they pay out these annual funds whether they are actually collected or not.

As a result, nearly all municipalities need to borrow money in anticipation of the payment of property tax bills. This is a real cost to doing business, as the municipality pays interest on the money it borrows. For the past several years, New Durham has had to borrow less and less money in anticipation of taxes as it improved its cash flow management. In 2003 -- *for the first time in decades* -- the Town **did not** have to borrow any funds to maintain its cash flow.

While this is a significant achievement -- it was further magnified when the Town was able to borrow funds for the improvements at the solid waste facility on a short-term basis (approximately one month) at a cost of only $66 -- as opposed to a multi-year debt the voters had authorized.

The Town was also recognized in 2003 for its risk management efforts, which is the direct result of the safety-conscious efforts of its work force. The Town received a return of contribution from its pooled insurance program carrier in the amount of $9,684 -- nearly 50% of the $19,263 premium it paid for FY 2001. Simply put -- safety is no accident, and it can reap financial rewards.

Collectively, these efforts have saved New Durham taxpayers more than $25,000 in 2003 through combined costs savings (Tax Anticipation Note expense), cost avoidance (long-term borrowing) and unanticipated revenues (return of insurance contribution).

Respectfully submitted;

William G. Herman, CPM
Town Administrator

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR/ CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

To the Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of New Durham:

Thanks to all for the support in the past year in making our job enjoyable. This year, we have seen an increase in permits. Inspections done this year include: Foundations - 76; Frame - 46; Electrical - 44; Plumbing - 46; Insulation - 20; Consultation - 14; Temporary Occupancy and Occupancy Permit - 40; Other - 24.. Total - 310. Number of Job Visits: 254

Permits are required for any alternation, addition, new building and foundation that have an estimated value of $1,000 or more. The demolition of a building requires a permit no matter the value as per the NHDES.

Once again, thanks to all the homeowners and contractors for calling at least 24 hours before an inspection is required. We have been doing our best to get them done in a timely fashion. We do inspections first thing in the morning from 7 AM to 8 AM and evenings after work hours. We may also do them at noontime if they are on our way to our place of work. Please remember this is a part-time job and we have to work just like you. If you are calling for an Occupancy Permit, please make sure the Road Agent has been called to do the Driveway Inspection prior to our inspections for Certificate of Occupancy..

Please use 859-4081 for all inspections other than driveways. There is an answering machine to take calls or my wife. When leaving a number to call, please speak slowly. It helps not to listen two or three times to get a name and number. Also, please give the location of inspection to be done.

ITEM	PERMITS	ESTIMATED VALUE
Additions	18	$ 695,569
Additions, other	12	153,541
Alterations	18	165,573
Barns	5	145,092
Decks	10	29,200
Foundation	5	36,735
New Bldg.. - Commercial	4	411,000
New Bldg.. - Dwelling	35	4,625,004
New Bldg.. - Garage	10	161,100
New Bldg. - Sheds	10	26,800
Repair	12	209,400
Renewal	3	0
Wrecking	5	36,000
TOTALS	147	$ 6,695,014

Office hours are Thursday evening from 7 - 9 PM, and Saturdays from 9 AM to 12 Noon. The office telephone is 859-7171 during office hours only. All other times is 859-4081 between 7 AM and 9 PM. Best time to reach me personally is after 6 PM. State of NH Minimum Building Code is IBC 2000

Respectfully submitted,
David T. Lindberg
Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Sexton Mike Clarke was elected as a Cemetery Trustee during the town general election. Mike's efforts while the Cemetery Sexton were exceptional and his continued support and dedication is much appreciated.

Kevin Hodgson was hired to replace Mike as Cemetery Sexton. The cemetery received a new lawn mower this spring, which was used by Kevin to keep the grounds well maintained. Kevin also scraped and painted the vault and cupola this past fall. The Trustees thank Kevin for a job well done.

Granite posts have been installed on each side of the westerly driveway. Gates will be hung on the posts in the spring. This will allow for easier access to the vault using the center driveway in the winter months when needed, while giving the street-side view a more balanced appearance.

The Trustees put much effort into updating cemetery site records and survey documents during the past year. This information will be maintained using commercially available software.

Trustee Chairman Cathy Orlowicz has unfortunately resigned. Cathy's endless energy and dedication will be sorely misses and we wish her the best.

Activities scheduled for the coming year will include the review of requirements associated with opening Section C, the southerly most section, for burial site sales.

During the year, 13 lots were sold in the John Shirley Cemetery, while there were a total of nine burials.

Respectfully submitted;

Thomas J. Mason, Acting Chairman

Michael J. Clarke, Trustee

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

To the Board of Selectmen and the residents of New Durham:

The New Durham Conservation Commission reviewed wetland permits and investigated complaints of alleged violations of wetland regulations in 2003. It is our policy to immediately contact the Wetlands Bureau at the NH Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) with the nature of the alleged violation, with a copy of our letter to the land owner of the property in question.

Be advised that a permit from NHDES Wetlands Bureau is required before any work in or adjacent to any water body or wetland is started. Contact the Town or NHDES prior to beginning any work to see if a permit is required.

The Conservation Commission lost a long-time member this past year. William Schmid passed away after a long illness. He will be missed.

The Commission also got a new member, Linda Zacharias. There is still one spot open for another member. If you feel you can make a difference, come to a meeting. Check the Town Hall for the next meeting date.

The Commission meetings are normally held the last Wednesday of every month at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted;

Paul Zuzgo, Chairman
New Durham Conservation Commission

REPORT ON EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

The New Durham Emergency Management Committee is responsible for developing a plan for emergency response by the Town to any event that would require the utilization of most, if not all, of the town's resources. Should the Board of Selectmen determine an emergency situation warranted the activation of the Emergency Management Plan, this committee would come together to coordinate the Town's response to the emergency. The current members of the Committee are Road Agent Mark Fuller, Deputy Director William Herman, Health Officer Bill Grigg, Building Inspector David Lindberg, Fire Chief Brad Meyerriecks, Police Chief Doug Scruton, New Durham School Principal Barbara Reed and Director Terry Jarvis.

New Durham received matching grants from the NH Office of Emergency Management for the following activities in 2003:

1. Establish a radio transmission site for use by town departments.
2. Continued review and revision of the New Durham EM Plan.
3. Conduct a tabletop exercise to test New Durham's Emergency Plan.

New Durham also received grant money to cover 75% of the cost of purchasing a 300 kw generator for use at the New Durham School, which is the emergency shelter for the town. This fall the Committee was notified the Governor Wentworth School Board determined locating the generator at the school would be of little benefit to the school, and that they were unwilling to share in the installation cost. As a result, the generator will be located on Town property to provide power to the Emergency Operations Center, the Fire Department, Police Department and Town Hall.

Mark Fuller has identified several possible sites for the radio transmitter and it is anticipated that ongoing negotiations for use of the land will be successful. The committee has spent many hours revising the Town's Emergency Plan, focusing on identifying not only alternative shelters to the school, but also identifying potential disasters and possible terrorist targets.

In December, Committee members, their alternates and members of the Board of Selectmen conducted our first tabletop exercise of New Durham's Emergency Plan. Through a simulated scenario, those present prepared for the disaster sharing ideas and discussing how to respond. Through this exercise, we were able to identify the strengths & weakness of the town's plan.

As a result of President Bush's December 13, 2002 announcement of a national smallpox vaccination program, William Herman Deputy Director; Police Lt. Shawn Bernier and I spent a great deal of time writing New Durham's Mass Inoculation Plan. Once it is completed, it will be included as part of the Town's Emergency Plan.

Please remember that in the event of an emergency, New Durham has emergency broadcast abilities at **WWPC 91.7 FM**.

Respectfully submitted;

William G. Herman, CPM
Deputy Emergency
Management Director

Theresa Jarvis
Emergency Management
Director

REPORT OF THE NEW DURHAM FIRE DEPARTMENT

The mission of the New Durham Fire Department is to "**preserve and protect the lives and property of our neighbors**". I am pleased to report that our goals have been met for another year, and we look forward to continuing completing new goals in the future.

During the months of 2003, the department responded to 237 calls, which are broken down as follows:

Fires	82	Medical	108
Service	8	MVA	39

In 2003, the following projects were undertaken & realized:

* We received a Defillator from Frisbe Memorial Hospital. This was through a Rural Grant from the State of New Hampshire.
- Successful Senior Citizens' Christmas Dinner with more than 140 in attendance I want to thank all the people that donated and helped for this event.
- Annual Halloween Open House for the children with plenty of treats given out.

The New Durham Fire Department spent more than 60 hours in training and 474 hours responding to emergencies. This results in a total of 7,500 man hours of volunteering and dedication from these selfless individuals for the "**protection of property and life of the neighbors of New Durham**" and its surrounding communities. As your Fire Chief, I want to thank those who have given so much of their time to this Department. **I thank you all for a job well done!** I also want to thank all the New Durham Town employee's for helping and supporting the New Durham Fire Department.

I want to ask the people of New Durham . . . . . "You want to do something for your community?" Join the New Durham Fire Department. The Fire Department is always looking for good volunteers. We will train you in being a firefighter or EMT, both if you'd like. It's very rewarding to help people in need in our community. It's a good way to meet people in our community. Call me if you are interested.

In beginning the year 2004, I would also like to thank the community for the continued support, donations, cards, letters and kind words. As your Fire Chief, we will continue to set and meet important goals, continue to work harmoniously within the community providing activities for all ages, and first and foremost: **We will protect and preserve the lives and property of our neighbors.**

Respectfully submitted;

Brad Meyerriecks

Brad Meyerriecks
Fire Chief

REPORT OF THE NEW DURHAM FOOD PANTRY

To the Citizens of New Durham:

We would like to take the opportunity to thank everyone in and around our community who made the success of the Food Pantry possible this year. The New Durham Food Pantry, which is not affiliated with welfare, relies solely on donations and scattered federal food subsidies. A special thank you to Jim Greenwood for his hard work and dedication for picking up and delivering the government and holiday food donations. Without the help of many volunteers, the Food Pantry would be extremely difficult to run. Special thanks to Alexiss Tisher, who continues to collect for and donate to the Food Pantry year round. And many thanks to Angie Shearin and Debbie Sproul and her family for their year round assistance. We also want to thank those who donate time during the busiest holiday season: Kathy and Jessie Merrill, Terry and Becky Jarvis, Darlene Douglas and Diane Booth.

Throughout the calendar year, we depend on the generous support of our community to provide food to families who are in need of temporary assistance. Due to the economic times, the Food Pantry has seen a significant increase of families going through difficult times. Through your generous donations and the help of volunteers, we have been able to provide:

- Food assistance for an average of 50 - 60 residents monthly.
- More than 30 Holiday food baskets were delivered on Thanksgiving AND Christmas.
- "Wish Upon A Star" Christmas gift program ensured 84 children did no go without this Holiday season.

The outpouring of donations for the "Wish Upon A Star" program, private monetary and food donations, and the success of ALL the food drives through local businesses, schools and organizations, is testimony to the sincere generosity in our community! At this time we would also like to thank the following elves who took time during the busy holiday season to assist with this program: John Nicastro, Nicki Nicastro, Ryan Wengrzynek, Bill Herman, Brad Meyerriecks, Darlene Douglas, Barbara Reed, Debby Libby, Bridgette McGovern, Siobhan Dubois, Darby Davidson, Beth Waytt, and the elves who worked overtime to help ensure that everything was finished on time: Mary Lou and Billy McGrew, Joanne and Paul Payson and Phil Kenny (assistant bagger and tagger).

If you are in need of assistance or know of anyone in need, please call 859-0204. You do not have to be on welfare to be eligible for assistance and all calls are confidential. The hours for the Food Pantry are posted at the Town Hall.

Again, our thanks to the community for your continuing support throughout the year!!!

Respectfully submitted;

Judith A. Nicastro *Betsy T. Booth*

REPORT OF THE TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department and the NH Division of Forests and Lands cooperate and coordinate to reduce the risk of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing **ALL** outside burning. Fire permits are mandatory for all outside burning unless the ground where the burning is to be done (and surrounding areas) is completely covered with snow. Violations of RSA 227-L:17, the fire permit law, and the other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines up to $2,000 and/ or a year in jail, plus suppression costs.

A new law effective January 1, 2003 prohibits residential trash burning (RSA 125-N). Contact the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services at (800) 498-6868 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information.

Help us to protect you and our forest resources. Most New Hampshire wildfires are human caused. Homeowners can help protect their homes by maintaining adequate green space around the house and make sure the house number is correct and visible. Contact your fire department or the NH Division of Forests and Lands at *www.nhdfl.org* or call 271-2217 for wildland fire safety information.

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRES

After May 31, 2004 there will be no brush fire permits issued in New Durham until spring of the following year. The hours for burning brush is Saturday and Sunday only, 5:00 pm to 7:00 am. Brush may be taken to the solid waste facility for disposal. If the ground is covered by snow, you may burn during the day without a permit. Please make a courtesy call to me or any of my Deputy's before burning outside with snow cover.

In 2003, a total of 203 Forestry Burn Permits were issued in the Town of New Durham, including 122 seasonal campfire and cooking permits, four commercial burn permits and 81 brush fire permits.

Local Forest Fire Warden and Deputy Wardens

Name	*Designation*	*Telephone*	*Burn Permit Issuance*
Brad Meyerriecks	Warden	859-5046	Yes
John Nicastro	Deputy	875-2887	Yes
Theresa Jarvis	Deputy	859-3220	Yes
David Stuart	Deputy	859-6098	Yes
Leon Smith	Deputy	859-6997	Yes

Respectfully submitted;

Lee A Gardner
Forest Ranger

Brad Meyerriecks
Forest Fire Warden

REPORT OF THE NEW DURHAM HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Another great year has passed and 2003 has been another productive year for the Highway Department. The winter of 2003 resulted in an overexpenditure of the Highway Department operating budget. This required the needed Highway Block Grant and Snow Emergency Disaster Funds received from the State and Federal governments respectively to help offset the budget. The summer was spent with the continuous improvements of the town roads. All gravel roads continued to receive calcium chloride treatments and reshaping. Necessary conditioning was performed to help maintain the paved roads. Numerous drainage problems throughout the town needed attention and were addressed. Another challenge for the coming year is the addition of two subdivisions approved by the New Durham Planning Board this past year, adding another 1.25 miles of roads for the Highway Department to maintain.

The completion of the timber cut at the Solid Waste Facility and Highway Department Garage location will result in the needed future expansion of both facilitiles.

The Highway Department again reminds all residents that you should please keep items out of the Town';s Right-of-Way (ROW), especially during the winter months, so as not to hamper road maintenance efforts. Unfortunately, if you leave vehicles, fencing and other property unattended in the ROW or near the road, there is a chance of damage. There are also regulations for the placement of your mailbox. You can contact the Highway Department at 859-8000 for information.

The Road Surface Management System (RSMS) work for 2003 included the following work on Town roads:

Road	Mile	Work	Approximate Cost
Old Bay	2.84	Shim/Overlay	$ 97,360
Main	.18	Shim/Overlay	6,640
Birch Hill	1.00	Thick Shim	26,593
Ridge	1.02	Reclaim/Pave	60,197
Stockbridge Corner	.11	Pave	5,300
Misc. Repairs		Pave	2,966
Total Mileage:	5.15	Total Cost:	$ 199,056

To express my gratitude, I would like to start by thanking the highway crew for their continued devoted service to the Town and for the many long hours they work for all of us in our fine community. Also, I would like to thank all the Department Heads and Town Hall employees for their contributions in making this a great joint effort and a fine place to live.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark J. Fuller
Road Agent

ROAD SURFACE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (RSMS)
2004

Miles	Road	Repair	Estimated Cost
1.12	Ridge Road	Reclaim/Pave	$ 67,200
0.02	Copple Crown	Reclaim/Pave	8,000
0.02	Kings Highway	Overlay	21,200
2.00	Kings Highway	Chip Seal	34,000
1.00	Birch Hill Road	Shim/Overlay	35,000
0.00	Misc. Roads	Crack Sealing	870
5.09	*Sub -Total*		$ 166,270

2004 Highway Block Grant	$ 91,270
2004 Town Appropriation	75,000
TOTAL	$ 166,270

REPORT OF THE NEW DURHAM TOWN HISTORIAN

1772 Town Meetinghouse Reconstruction

It is an honor to report that a young man from our community has selected the 1772 Meetinghouse for an Eagle Scout Project, to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout. Working with the historians and supervision from the scouting community, he will be presenting a plan to complete needed work for the historic building. The process of selecting a project has been very interesting, and we are pleased to be a part of this program.
Once the project is completed, arrangements have been made to address drainage issues around the Meetinghouse and reconstruction of the stone foundation under the building.

New Durham Meetinghouse Park

It is an honor to report that a second young man from our community has selected the Meetinghouse Park for an Eagle Scout Project, to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout. Working with the historians and supervision from the scouting community, he will be presenting a plan to complete needed work for the trails and observation deck planned for the park. We are pleased to be a part of this program.

New Durham Old Graveyards

Three graveyards had restoration work completed this fall. Stones were reset and repaired.

Weathered flags were removed and replaced with fresh flags on all veteran's graves in the old graveyards this spring.

The Town has obligations for care and maintenance to the old graveyards by state statute. The cooperation of landowners and the community allows the achievement of our goals and obligations, and is truly appreciated.

We would like to thank the landowners who care for old graveyards located on their properties. Their assistance has allowed for work to be completed in other graveyards. Thank you to the landowners who graciously grant permission to pass through their property so our work can be completed.

Goals for the next year will be to continue the efforts to locate, restore and maintain the 130 or so Old Graveyards located in our community.

New Durham Historical Archives Collection

We are pleased to report the preservation of loose documents has been completed. The treated pages look fresh and renewed. These documents will be placed inside mylar sheeting in the coming year , further protecting them from the environment and handling .

On behalf of the community, we would like to thank the family of Roscoe Chamberlain for the gift of photographs, papers and many other items donated to the historical collection this past year. Each item collected aides in the telling of the story of New Durham's past. The Chamberlain Family's generosity is truly appreciated.

The archives collection held in the vault at the Town Hall may be viewed by appointment only. The collection held at the New Durham Public Library is available to the public during the normal business hours of the Library.

We would like to encourage members of the community who may be sorting their "Collections", to consider donating them to the Town Historical Collection. If you are uncertain as to what to do with the items or if they are related to the history of this community, please call Eloise Bickford at 859-6881 or Catherine Orlowicz at 859-4643 for assistance.

Respectfully submitted;

Eloise Bickford

Eloise Bickford
Town Historian

Catherine Orlowicz

Catherine Orlowicz
Town Historian Associate

REPORT OF THE NORTHERN STRAFFORD COUNTY HEALTH AND SAFETY COUNCIL

The Northern Strafford County Health and Safety Council (NHCHSC) was established during 2003. It has been active during the first six months of its grant period, while looking forward to a busy second half of the fiscal year.

The grant, administered by the NH Department of Health and Human Services, was awarded in July 2003 and is one of 12 in the state. The local governing council for the NHCHSC consists of representatives from Farmington, Milton, Middleton, New Durham, Rochester, Strafford, Strafford Network and Frisbie Memorial Hospital.

During the first year of the grant, the Council plans to:

* Conduct a community health assessment including key leader interviews, data collection and focus groups.
* Develop a baseline of the area's health status.
* Develop a health improvement plan for the area.
* Develop a regional emergency preparedness plan for incidents including, but not limited to, natural and man-made disasters such as smallpox, hazardous materials, etc.

A full-time director was hired in November 2003. Betsey Andrews Parker, formerly the Executive Director of the Great Bay Chapter of the American Red Cross, .has extensive experience in emergency response, planning, community organizing and grant writing. The Council office is located on the second floor of the South Main Street Campus of Frisbie Memorial Hospital at 95 Main Street, Rochester. Many residents may know the building as the former Odd Fellows Building or as the Frisbie Memorial Hospital Physical Therapy offices.

A website was established to educate residents in Northern Strafford County about the grant initiatives and public health. It can be assessed at ***www.nschsc.org***. It contains a public health community assessment that residents are encouraged to complete. Results from this assessment will assist the Council to obtain additional funding and develop initiatives to benefit the area.

A draft of a regional emergency response inventory is being revised by the Council. The purpose of the inventory is to help the Northern Strafford area plan for incidents including natural and man-made disasters. The regional inventory will identify area resources and identify gaps where additional funding could be obtained from state and federal agencies to upgrade and improve emergency response and planning.

A series of community forums will begin in February to obtain feedback on how our local public health infrastructure monitors, investigates and diagnose emerging health issues, educates the public, and assure

accessibility to needed personal health services. The forums will also look for feedback on the public health workforce and solutions to health problems. Participants in the forums will assist in the completion of the National Public Health Performance Standards (NPHPS) developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). NPHPS will help the Council determine current performance and capacity, identify areas for systems improvements, strengthen local and state partnerships, and help assure a strong local system to respond effectively to day to day events and bigger emergencies. Everyone is welcome to the forums and may sign up in advance by contacting the Council at 335-0168 or e-mail bandrewsparker@comcast.net.

It is our aim to build upon the work currently being conducted in the area, draw attention to areas in need of additional help and work with community partners to improve the health status of area residents. The Council looks forward to working with your community over the next several months and welcomes your participation.

Respectfully submitted:

Town of New Durham Representative:
William G. Herman, CPM
Town Administrator

Betsey Andrews Parker, MPH
Executive Director

NEW DURHAM OLD HOME DAY

January 20, 2004

Dear Fellow New Durhamites:

For all you people anxious to celebrate "OLD HOME DAY", complete with fireworks, here is your chance!

We are looking for a few good people to organize "OLD HOME DAY - 2005". Requirements for such people are:

* Creativity
* Enthusiasm
* Organizational Ability
* Community Spirit
* Ability to Work with Others
* Patience

There is some seed money towards the fireworks. The Atlas Company in Jaffrey is interested in returning to New Durham. "OLD HOME DAY" is a community event and needs a community's involvement to make it happen! Ideas are needed for the days events, fund raising to put on a good time, marketing to get sponsors and people to come on board and doers to make "it" happen.

An information / brainstorming session will be held April 2004 for interested people of all ages. Come with your ideas to put on the table and your enthusiasm for doing something for our great little town. It deserves a party!

For more information call: 859-5891 / 859-4643

REPORT OF NEW DURHAM PARKS & RECREATION

2003 was a year of great energy and accomplishments for New Durham Parks & Recreation. The playground at the ball fields was completed. Then dedicated to Joanne Heger for her long time commitment and extraordinary efforts with the Recreation Department. Tony Eldridge was unanimously chosen as New Durham Recreation's Volunteer of the Year, for all of his efforts with the children. Our sports teams also excelled, with our Babe Ruth and Major League Baseball teams finishing first in the league. Congratulations to Coaches Ed Diprizio and Keith Therrien.

New Durham sports continue to be a huge asset with the children and adult coaches in town. The soccer teams consisted of more than 120 children; baseball and softball with more than 100 children; basketball with more than 100 children, and karate with more than 40 children. With these sports come countless adult volunteers, and we would like to thank them for all that they do. Without them, there would not be any programs for the children.

Club activities in 2003 included Cardio-Toning, Adult Volleyball, Women's Basketball, Adult Softball, Climbing, various sports clinics and camps, and kayaking.

Our swim program remains strong and one of the best in the area, with children from all over the Suncook Valley area participating. The program is Red Cross certified, consists of six instructors and more than 100 children. This year, we had 22 top level students swim across Merrymeeting Lake.

The Creative Kid's Club is a licensed day care run through the Parks & Recreation Department and is housed at the New Durham School. The program is directed by Laura McCarthy. The program runs all day during the summer months and the doors are always open to join.

Things to look for in 2004: Water system continuation to the lower field, basketball court resurfacing, walking trail, skating and adult & child kayaking.

In closing, we would like to thank all of our dedicated volunteers and the New Durham Athletic Association for their continuous support of all of our programs. The Recreation Commission meets the first Monday of every month at 7:00 PM at the New Durham School. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call the Rec. Hotline at 859-5666 or e-mail at ndrec@worldpath.net. Or visit us on the web under the Town of New Durham (**www.worldpath.net/~ndurham**).

Respectfully submitted,

Russ Perrin
Parks & Recreation Director

Brenda Fontaine, Chairman
Loran Smith, Vice Chairman
Celeste Chasse, Secretary
Jeff Guevin, Treasurer
Dale Sprague, George Chasse, Joanne Heger (resigned) and Sheri Joy (appointed)
Parks and Recreation Commission

Dedication of the Joanne V. Heger Playground at the Elmer C. Smith Ballfields
(Photo Courtesy of Fosters Daily Democrat)

REPORT OF THE NEW DURHAM PLANNING BOARD

2003 was an extremely active and tumultuous year for the Planning Board. Last year I wrote to you of the residential development pressure marching northward from the seacoast. Well, in 2003 the onslaught began. During one week in March, the Planning Board received applications for more residential subdivision lots than were approved in the previous eight years *combined*. Although only a portion of the proposed lots have been approved thus far, the overall development activity the town is witnessing is unprecedented. The volume of new home construction is reaching a crescendo.

Rather than just reviewing commercial and residential development applications, the Planning Board's top priority for 2003 was.....PLANNING! At the top of the agenda was an overhaul of the Master Plan, the blueprint for the future development of New Durham. Board members and other volunteers who formed the Natural Resource, Economic Vitality and Community Well-Being subcommittees are thanked for the many hours spent developing a vision for future land use and community services in the town. We have also been ably assisted by Gerry Mylroie, Senior Land Use Planner for the Strafford Regional Planning Commission. Despite the efforts of the pool of talent assigned to the task, we were unable to complete the Master Plan overhaul during 2003 due to the volume of development proposals reviewed by the Board. About the time you read this, we will be holding public hearings on the final draft of the Master Plan, so please come out and express your opinions!

A final tally of Planning Board activity for 2003 includes the approval of 35 new residential housing lots, 2 commercial site plans, 1 excavation permit renewal, 2 home occupation uses and 3 lot-line adjustments. Kathleen Merrill joined us as our new Land Use Clerk in September. We also saw several preliminary plans, 2 new board members appointed, 2 board member resignations, 1 lawsuit, and one heck of a lot of controversy.

New Hampshire's Office of State Planning (OSP) projects the population of New Durham to increase by 52% (!!) between the years 2001 and 2020, the highest rate of any municipality in Strafford County. This statistic hints at what underlies the animated discussions the planning board has held in the past year. While some resign themselves to the fact that you can't stop "progress", the fact is that the community has a lot to say about how growth occurs in our beautiful town. I urge you all to consider how unplanned growth could affect our schools, town services, property tax rates and quality of life in New Durham. Forthcoming proposals for changes in our zoning ordinance and land use regulations must be considered carefully with an eye to the future, so we'll do our utmost to make sure that you can make informed decisions at the polls. You can influence planning decisions *even if it's not in your backyard*, so please attend our meetings on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month.

Respectfully submitted,

Ron

Ron Gehl
Chairman

REPORT OF THE NEW DURHAM POLICE DEPARTMENT

As we end 2003, the department saw a reduction in crimes against property which is due in part to intensifying exposure on the back roads of town. We also received many phone calls from citizens who reported everything from suspicious activity to speeding vehicles. This type of "community policing" is invaluable in making our town a safe place to live.

In May of this year, we once again lost another officer. We, along with numerous other departments throughout the state, fight a constant battle with keeping police officers. In August, we hired Reginald Meattey, and we are now back to full staff.

Funded by a grant from the New Hampshire Fish & Game Department, officers worked extra hours during the summer and fall patrolling areas of high OHRV activity, and in areas where we received complaints from property owners. Remember, if you are not on your own property, a designated OHRV trail, or a Class VI road ***in*** New Durham, you need ***written*** landowner permission.

I would like to personally thank the Highway Department, as well as the rest of our community, for taking the time to report "anything that just doesn't look right". With your dedication and support, we continue to make our town a better place to live, work and raise a family.

Respectfully submitted;

Douglas J. Scruton
Chief of Police

The following is a breakdown of police activity for 2003:

CRIMES AGAINST PERSON:

Assault	9	Burglary/Theft	24
Criminal Trespass	6	Disorderly Conduct	3
Forgery	2	Harassment	24
Vandalism	48	Intimidation	20
Issuing Bad Check	2	Fraud	8

INCIDENTS:

Alcohol / Drug offense	19	Family Offenses	62
Mutual Aid	30	Alarms	59
Juvenile	10	Untimely Death	1
Fire Dept. Assist	39	Missing Person	4
MV Complaint	43	Animal Complaints	127
E911 Hangup	44	Civil Complaints	56
Lost/Found Property	34	K-9 Request	47
Suspicious Activity	47	Attempted Suicide	1
General Police Service	330	Cruelty to Animals	4

MOTOR VEHICLE:

Speed Arrests	113	OHRV Complaints	11
Speed Warnings	1,267	Other Arrests	131
Accidents	43		
Fatal Accidents	1		

REPORT OF THE NEW DURHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Board of Selectmen and the citizens of New Durham:

The library had another good year showing increases in both circulation and attendance. Approximately 500 new items were added to the collection in 2003. At the end of 2002, the number of books and other library materials that had been coded for automation was 2,515. At the end of 2003, that figure was well over 7,000.

Many important changes occurred during the library's operating year. The position of director changed hands once again and Trustees Kim Nottage and Lisa Nichol were elected in March. The Library Trustees would like to thank Donna Swett for her efforts during her tenure as director. Library custodian Marcia Berry provided the library with a new and fresh look by repainting trim in the fall.

The Friends of the Library really came into their own this year and provided their help and support for several library projects. The Friends paid for a library pass to the Christa McAuliffe Planetarium, subsidized the purchase of a new computer, conducted an extremely successful book sale and provided refreshments for several programs during the year.

Our pre-school Story Hour is under the able leadership of Linda Labbe. It is held every Thursday morning at 10:30 AM. As well as stories, there are crafts and light refreshments. In cooperation with the New Durham Elementary School, the library had a well-attended and successful Summer Reading Program and Storyteller Steve Blunt gave a magnificent performance at the end of the programin August.

The free and discount passes provided by the library now cover a wide variety of museums and institutions. We have passes to The Currier Art Gallery in Manchester, The Christa McAuliffe Planetarium, The Wright Museum in Wolfeboro, the New Hampshire Farm Museum in Milton, Squam Lake Science Center and the New Hampshire History Museum in Concord.

The staff and library trustees wish to thank Tom Swett and all the other library volunteers who gave of their time so generously during the past year. We would like to thank everyone who donated books and materials to the library last year. The library also has a function room that is available for public use. Please contact the library for details.

The library could not have provided the high quality of service that it does if everyone did not work together. The caring and excellent Board of Library Trustees, along with the staff and Friends of the Library, make up a successful and winning team. Together, we are proud and pleased to provide first-rate library service to the Town of New Durham.

The library collection is expanding at a rapid rate. We always have the best and newest titles in not only books, but also books on tape, DVDs, magazines and videos. Callus at 859-2201 or email us at ndpl@metrocast.net with any comments or questions you may have.

Respectfully submitted;

Dueane E. Shaffer, Library Director

Holly L. Shaffer, Chairman
Sharon Doherty, Lisa Nicol, Eileen Ryan, Kim Nottage
Board of Library Trustees

NEW DURHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES ACCOUNT
Library Receipts and Expenses
January 1 through December 31, 2003

Account Balance (1/1/2003)		$5,133.32
RECEIPTS:		
Abram Burtram Trust	$ 750.00	
Copier, fax, Conscience Jar Income	776.82	
Donations	500.00	
PettyCash Deposit	50.00	
TOTAL: Library Receipts	$ 2,076.82	
Interest Earned	29.15	
		$7,239.29
EXPENDITURES:		
Equipment	$ 690.77	
Dues & Memberships	525.00	
Books	110.00	
Supplies	90.00	
Summer Reading	550.00	
WIndow Boxes	145.00	
Transfer - Library Operating Account	2,458.37	
Year-end Bonuses	150.00	
Staff Appreciation	228.06	
Bank Fees	30.00	
TOTAL: Expenditures	$ 4,977.20	
Account Balance		$2,262.09
Cash Drawer		50.00
ACCOUNT BALANCE (12/31/03)		$2,312.09

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Doherty, Treasurer

ROCHESTER/RURAL DISTRICT VNA & HOSPICE REPORT

Your VNA & Hospice continues as your home health agency providing intermittent skilled home care to individuals of all ages. Our services including nursing, rehabilitation, personal care, medical social services and homemaking. We are proudly celebrating 90 years of service to the community. Your community support allows us to provide care to those with no insurance, those that have insurance that does not cover a significant portion of the cost of care provided and to provide services for which there is no reimbursement.

We are proud of our clinical staff, which includes nurses trained in the specialty fields of: wound care, diabetic education, ostomy care, lactation, IV care and management, psychiatric nursing and hospice. We have a very experienced group of professionals on staff and they are managing much more acutely ill patients on a daily basis. It is not just a cliche that hospital stays are shorter and people are leaving hospitals sicker, it is the truth.

We have spent the last year transitioning to our new home care software and implementing a point of care, electronic record. This means that each of our professional clinicians have a laptop and immediate access to all pertinent medical records. The nursing shortage is an actuality and we are depending on technology to help us deal with the shortage. With the aid of an electronic record, time for trips to the office can be decreased, duplication as simple as writing the patient name on each piece of documentation is eliminated and information is current, not waiting to be filed.

We are also able to monitor patients via a telehealth unit, assessing the patient from the office. We are able to monitor blood pressure, pulse, weight, blood sugar and verify that the patient is taking their medication appropriately. The patient can be visualized while the visit is made and wounds can be assessed. These types of advancements in care will help us cope with the nursing shortage as we move forward.

Total Visit provided in New Durham in 2003 (annualized)

		Percentage of Patients	
Skilled Nursing Visits	405	Medicare	86%
Physical Therapy	165	Medicaid/HCBC	2%
Occupational Therapy	40	Commercial Insurance	9%
Medical Social Worker	29	Self Pay	3%
Licensed Nursing Assistant	81	**Percentage of Patients**	
Total Visits	720	Over 76 years	46%

Respectfully submitted;

Mauri Kenny
New Durham Representative
Board of Directors

Linda Hotchkiss, RN, MHSA
Executive Director

REPORT FROM THE SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITY

This past year, the Town purchased a second hopper and a 50-yard container to handle the increased volume of trash coming to the New Durham Solid Waste Facility due to the growth of the town. This was done in order to avoid the extra cost of tipping and hauling fees due to the frequency of service needed to unload the smaller 30-yard containers we had been using to handle the overflow from the first hopper and container.

Due to the relatively low volume of material generated and the cost to the Town in terms of manpower and materials, the Town discontinued the recycling of plastics in 2003. In making their decision, the Board of Selectmen agreed this would be a temporary situation, that will be based on the market for recycled plastics. The Selectmen's action came as a result of recommendations from a Solid Waste Advisory Committee, who reviewed all of the Town's solid waste and recycling processes and operations.

The leaf and metal pile were relocated as part of the re-design of the property to make room for the second hopper and container unit. Please ask for assistance if you're not sure where they go.

As per past regulations, the Transfer Station does not accept hazardous wastes (paint, anti-freeze, etc.).

I would like to thank my full-time employee, Phil, and my part-time helpers, Paige and Doug.

Should you have any questions about solid waste disposal or recycling, please don't hesitate to contact us at the Solid Waste & Recycling Facility at 859-8080.

Respectfully submitted;

Joseph E. Bloskey
Solid Waste Facility Manager

TOWN OF NEW DURHAM
NEW HAMPSHIRE

2004 TOWN WARRANT & BUDGET

COPPLE CROWN VILLAGE
DISTRICT BUDGET FOR 2004 - 2005

TOWN OF NEW DURHAM
TOWN WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of New Durham, in the County of Strafford, in said State, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the New Durham School on Tuesday, the ninth (9th) day of March, next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following: (Polls will close no earlier than 7:00 P.M.)

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year. *(By Official Ballot)*

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to have a publicly elected five (5) member Planning Board, according to the procedure specified in RSA 673:2, II (b) (1) *(By Official Ballot)* BY PETITION

You are also hereby further notified to meet at the New Durham School on Wednesday, the tenth (10th) day of March, next at seven (7:00) o'clock in the evening to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $300,000 for the purpose of constructing a new salt and sand storage facility adjacent to the New Durham Highway Department garage off Old Route 11 as included in design standards submitted to the NH Department of Environmental Services for a Site Specific Permit. Of the $300,000, $19,806 would come from funds encumbered for this purpose from Fiscal Year 2003; $22,500 would be raised and appropriated through taxation in 2004 and the balance of $260,000 is to be raised by the issuance of serial bonds and notes under and in compliance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NHRSA 33:1 et seq., as amended), and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take such actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interest of the Town of New Durham. (Two-thirds vote required) (By Paper Ballot) *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* BY SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $35,000 to be added to the Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* BY SELECTMEN.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum

of $166,271 for the maintenance, construction and reconstruction of town-maintained roads. Of the $166,271, $91,271 will be received through State Highway Block Grant Aid from the State of New Hampshire, and the balance of $75,000 would be raised by taxation. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* BY SELECTMEN.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000 to be added to the Davis Crossing Road Culvert/Drainage Capital Reserve Fund previously established. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* BY SELECTMEN.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000 to be added to the Highway Department Chipper Capital Reserve Fund previously established. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* BY SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $14,000 to be added to the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund previously established. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* BY SELECTMEN.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $20,000 to be added to the Fire Trucks Capital Reserve Fund previously established. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* BY SELECTMEN.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $35,000 to be added to the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund previously established. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* BY SELECTMEN.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000 to be added to the 1772 Meeting House Capital Reserve Fund previously established. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* BY TOWN HISTORIAN ELOISE BICKFORD.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA Chapter 35 for the purpose of providing for the painting of the exterior of the New Durham Town Hall, to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000 to be placed in this fund, and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* BY SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum

of $12,300 to be added to various expendable general trust funds previously established, including:

Computer & Office Equip. Maintenance Trust Fund	$ 3,000
Uncared for Graveyards Trust Fund	$ 1,000
Accrued Benefits Liability Fund	$ 5,000
Records Management Trust Fund	$ 1,000
Town Bldgs.I Improvement Trust Fund	$ 1,200
Forest Fire Control Trust Fund	$ 1,100

The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. BY SELECTMEN.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000 to replace the existing dug well at the New Durham Public Library with an artisan well. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* BY SELECTMEN.

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to increase the current Optional Veteran's Property Tax Credit of $100 in the Town of New Durham to the maximum allowed Veteran's Tax Credit of $500 pursuant to the provisions of RSA 72:28-a, or to take any other action in relation thereto.
BY PETITION

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to modify the elderly exemptions from property taxes in the Town of New Durham based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 74 years, $45,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 79 years, $65,000; for a person 80 years of age or older, $90,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least five years, own real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least five years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than $26,000 or, if married, a combined net income of less than $35,000; and own net assets not in excess of $60,000, excluding the value of the person's residence.
BY SELECTMEN.

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $16,200 for the purpose of acquiring a 24.83-acre parcel of land adjacent to the Town of New Durham's Highway Department & Solid Waste Facility property and the Ela River (Tax Map #7, Lot #6), and further to transfer the $16,200 from the unexpended fund balance (surplus) as of December 31, 2003. This article will not be necessary should the New Durham Conservation Commission agree to fund this purchase through the Town's Conservation Land Fund at a public hearing on February 24, 2004. *The Selectmen*

and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. BY SELECTMEN.

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to increase the current $5,000 per year cap to $10,000 per year on the revenues collected pursuant to RSA 79-A (the land use change tax) to be deposited into the Conservation Land Fund previously established in accordance with RSA 36-A: 5, III as authorized by RSA 79-A: 25 II. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* BY SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to remove the current $5,000 per annum cap, and deposit 100% of the revenues collected pursuant to RSA 79-A (the land use change tax) into the Conservation Land Fund previously established in accordance with RSA 36-A: 5, III as authorized by RSA 79-A: 25 II. BY PETITION

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,127,135 to defray the expenses for general town government operations, said sum does not include special or individual articles previously addressed. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* BY SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 21: To transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 12th day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two thousand and four.

Paul R. Gelinas, Jr., Chairman
Phillip J. Kenny
M. Dean Stimpson
NEW DURHAM BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A TRUE COPY OF WARRANT ATTEST:

Paul R. Gelinas, Jr., Chairman
Phillip J. Kenny
M. Dean Stimpson
NEW DURHAM BOARD OF SELECTMEN

NOTES

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BUDGET OF THE TOWN/CITY

OF: NEW DURHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

BUDGET FORM FOR TOWNS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 32:24

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2004

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.

2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.

3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below.

This is to certify that this budget was posted with the warrant on the (date) _____.

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Please sign in ink.

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THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

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NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION
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PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	2003 APPROPRIATION	2003 EXPENDITURES	2004 SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDATION	BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
4130 - Executive	$ 80,163	$ 79,518	$ 85,264	$ 85,264
4140 - Elections & Registration	36,415	37,692	37,444	37,444
4150 - Financial Administration	60,982	56,848	65,809	65,809
4152 - Revaluation of Property	24,012	20,604	25,454	25,454
4153 - Legal Expenses	15,750	23,260	19,750	19,750
4155 - Personnel Administration	283,304	282,867	315,915	315,915
4191 - Planning & Zoning	20,343	23,312	23,760	23,760
4194 - General Govt. Buildings	34,117	39,312	36,748	36,748
4195 - Cemeteries	8,965	6,914	4,100	4,100
4196 - Insurance	22,500	22,767	26,182	26,182
4199 - Other General Govt.	10,400	7,896	13,500	13,500
PUBLIC SAFETY				
4210 - Police Department	222,346	219,306	248,778	248,778
4220 - Fire Department	91,277	63,834	96,894	96,894
4240 - Building Inspection	8,565	9,124	10,629	10,629
4290 - Emergency Management	11,756	11,346	12,670	12,670
4299 - Other Public Safety	29,154	29,331	33,303	33,303
HIGHWAYS & STREETS				
4312 - Highways & Streets	354,814	354,814	374,944	374,944
4316 - Street Lighting	6,250	5,260	6,250	6,250
4319 - Equipment Mechanic	93,226	105,028	96,854	96,854
SANITATION				
4324 - Solid Waste Disposal	230,322	247,667	240,426	240,426
HEALTH / WELFARE				
4411 - Health Officer	4,100	2,027	3,600	3,600
4414 - Animal Control	5,526	4,468	5,681	5,681
4415 - Health Agencies	3,800	3,820	4,261	4,261

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	2003 APPROPRIATION	2003 EXPENDITURES	2004 SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDATION	BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS
4441 - Direct Assistance	33,635	32,374	36,439	36,439
CULTURE & RECREATION				
4520 - Parks & Recreation	58,104	57,476	61,607	61,607
4550 - Library	54,771	53,585	57,501	57,501
4583 - Patriotic Purposes	3,155	3,050	3,000	3,000
CONSERVATION				
4611 - Conservation Commission	1,775	1,399	1,800	1,800
DEBT SERVICE				
4711 - Principal - Long Term Debt	160,905	160,905	139,797	139,797
4721 - Interest - Long Term Debt	16,814	16,821	13,116	13,116
4723 - Interest - Tax Anticipation Note	10,000	66	10,000	10,000
CAPITAL OUTLAY				
4901 - Land	212,045	212,045	171,271	171,271
4902 - Machinery, Vehicles & Equip.	41,500	41,500	8,150	8,150
4903 - Buildings	19,165	19,066	5,000	5,000
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT				
4915 - To Capital Reserve Funds	116,000	116,000	121,000	121,000
4916 - To Expendable Trust Funds	13,000	13,000	12,300	12,300
CAPITAL PROJECTS				
HD Sand & Salt Building	0	0	300,000	300,000
Land Acquistion	0	0	16,200	16,200
Solid Waste Facility Improvements	46,000	46,000	0	0
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	**$2,444,956**	**$2,430,302**	**$2,745,397**	**$2,745,397**

SOURCE OF REVENUE	ESTIMATED REVENUES - 2003	ACTUAL REVENUES - 2003	ESTIMATED REVENUES - 2004
TAXES			
Land Use Change Tax	$ 0	$ 21,000	$ 20,000
Timber Taxes	30,000	5,000	5,000
Interest & Penalities	35,000	50,000	40,000
Excavation Tax	269	462	275
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES			
Business Licenses & Permits	8,000	11,500	11,000
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	360,000	375,000	390,000
Building Permits	12,000	17,000	15,000
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	8,000	8,000	8,000
FROM STATE			
Shared Revenues	10,543	10,543	10,543
Meals & Rooms Tax Dist.	60,000	68,947	65,000
Highway Block Grant	91,045	91,045	91,271
Other State Sources	77,835	57,000	30,000
FROM OTHER GOVTS.	4,050	1,300	1,300
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			
Income from Departments	18,000	30,000	25,000
Other Charges	500	1,100	1,000
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			
Sale of Property	20,000	1,000	1,000
Interest on Investments	9,000	5,000	5,000
Other Revenues	30,000	20,000	20,000
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS			
From Special Revenue Fund	2,100	2,561	2,300
From Capital Projects Funds	3,500	0	0
From Trust & Agency Funds	7,436	7,436	1,500
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Proceeds from Long-Term Bond or Notes	46,000	46,000	260,000
Encumbered Funds for Project	0	0	19,806
Amounts Voted from Surplus	8,000	8,000	16,200
Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	0	43,000	45,000
Total Estimated Revenue:	**$ 841,278**	**$ 880,894**	**$ 1,084,195**

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BUDGET FORM FOR VILLAGE DISTRICTS

WHICH HAVE ADOPTED THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 32:24

DATE OF MEETING: April 18, 2004

VILLAGE DISTRICT: Copple Crown C ounty: Strafford

In the Town(s) Of: New Durham

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 831
Wolfeboro, NH 03894

Phone #: 569-0237 Fax #: — E-Mail: —

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. RSA 32:5 requires this budget be prepared on a "gross" basis showing all revenues and appropriations. At least one public hearing must be held on this budget.

2. This budget must be posted with the Village District warrant not later than the fifteenth day before the day of the meeting.

3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the village district clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below.

This is to certify that this budget was posted with the warrant on the (date) _____

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Please sign in ink.

Virginia Skinner
David Shogry
Philip J. Berry
Ann L. Bond
Madeline Angers

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE VILLAGE DISTRICT WARRANT

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PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	2003 APPROPRIATION	2004 COMMISSIONER'S RECOMMENDATION	BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
4130 - Executive	$ 1,350	$ 2,000	$ 2,000
4153 - Legal Expenses	600	1,200	1,200
4155 - Personnel Admin.	0	700	700
4196 - Insurance	1,500	1,500	1,500
4197 - Assn. Dues	0	500	500
4199 - Other General Government	900	0	0
HIGHWAYS & STREETS			
4311 - Sand Loader	0	3,000	3,000
4312 - Plow & Sand	4,000	6,000	6,000
4319 - Brush Removal	11,000	0	0
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT			
4331 - Administration	2,000	7,000	7,000
4332 - Water Services	3,000	2,000	2,000
4335 - Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other	3,235	4,000	4,000
CULTURE & RECREATION			
4520 - Parks & Recreation	5,000	5,000	5,000
DEBT SERVICE			
4790 - Other Debt Services	5,715	5,715	5,715
CAPITAL OUTLAY			
4902 - Machinery & Equip.	1,200	1,500	1,500
4903 - Buildings	500	500	500
Appropriations Recommended:	**$ 40,000**	**$ 40,615**	**$ 40,615**
REVENUES			
3409 - Water Fees	5,100	5,100	5,100
3503 - Antenna / Garage Rentals	2,640	2,640	2,640
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised:	**$ 32,260**	**$ 32,875**	**$ 32,875**

STRAFFORD COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION COMMITTEE (CAP), INC.

NEW DURHAM SERVICES - 2003

Program	Units of Service
Fuel Assistance	45 families
Weatherization	1 home
Security Deposit	2 families
Rental Assistance	2 families
Utility Assistance	32 families
Elderly Transportation	82 rides
Emergency Response System	2 enrolled
Dental Program	10 patients
Commodity Foods Distribution	160 cases
Information & Referral	356 units
Medicare Counseling	2 households
Affordable Housing Search	5 families
Job Find / Welfare to Work	2 employed

Value of goods and services provided to New Durham $57,858

Town Appropriation in 2003 - $1,000

Respectfully submitted;

Richard Hayes
Executive Director

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Period of January 1 - December 31, 2003

	2003	2002 & Prior
UNCOLLECTED TAXES - 1/1/2003		
Property Taxes		$ 293,706.16
TAXES COMMITTED:		
Property Taxes	$ 4,831,802.00	
Land Use Change	26,450.00	
Yield Taxes	3,191.89	4,938.36
Excavation Taxes		462.12
Advance Payment 2004	6,078.27	
OVERPAYMENT:		
Property Taxes	9,707.44	3,085.66
Land Use Change	700.00	
INTEREST COLLECTED:	3,603.73	18,507.15
TOTAL DEBITS	$ 4,881,533.33	$ 320,699.45
REMITTED TO TREASURER:		
Property Taxes	$ 4,543,151.90	$ 218,944.79
Land Use Change Taxes	26,450.00	
Yield Taxes	3,191.89	4,938.36
Interest	3,603.73	18,507.15
Excavation Taxes @ $.02/yd		392.12
Conversion to Lien		74,958.63
Advance Payment 2004	6,078.27	
ABATEMENTS MADE:		
Property Taxes	231.00	2,888.40
Land Use Change	700.00	
Excavation Tax @ $.02/yd		70.00
Current Levy Deeded	42.00	
UNCOLLECTED TAXES -		
Property Taxes	$ 298,084.54	$ 0.00
TOTAL CREDITS	$4,881,533.33	$ 320,699.45

SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS

For the Period January 1 - December 31, 2003

TAX LIENS ON ACCOUNT OF LEVIES OF:	2003	2002	2001 & Prior
Unredeemed Liens - Balance at Beginning of Fiscal Year	$	$ 53,455.01	$ 41,261.34
Liens Executed During the Fiscal Year	83,213.13		
Interest & Costs Collected After Lien Execution	2,290.02	5,540.81	14,004.33
TOTAL DEBITS	$ 85,503.15	$ 58,995.82	$ 55,265.67
REMITTANCE TO TREASURER:			
Redemptions	$ 43,317.91	$ 29,456.93	$ 40,224.18
Interest & Costs (After Lien Execution)	2,290.02	5,540.81	14,004.33
Abatements/Unredeemed Taxes			
Liens Deed to Municipality		646.30	1,037.16
Unredeemed Liens - December 31, 2003	39,895.22	23,351.78	0.00
TOTAL CREDITS	$ 85,503.15	$ 58,995.82	$ 55,265.67

Important Dates for New Durham property taxpayers to remember:

May 1, 2004 - The tax lien process starts for any 2003 property taxes not yet paid. The interest changes from 12% to 18% per annum on any remaining balance not paid by the lien date, and a lien is recorded at the Strafford County Registry of Deeds.

July 1, 2004 - Usually the first issue property tax bill will be due on this date. The first bill is an estimated bill based on one-half of the previous year's tax bill.

August 16, 2004 - The deeding process starts for any taxes that were liened in 2002.

December 1, 2004 - Usually the second issue property tax bill is due on this date. This bill will be calculated using a tax rate multiplied by the new assessed value of your property based on the revaluation currently underway *(See Report of the Board of Selectmen on Page 8)*.

Respectfully submitted,

Carole M. Ingham

Carole M. Ingham

Tax Collector

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

The Town Clerk's Office has seen many changes this year in both personnel and computer software. Elaine Stimpson retired on August 29, 2003. She had been Deputy Town Clerk since 1981. We know she will enjoy the extra time she has to spend with her family. Mary McHale is the new Deputy Town Clerk and Deputy Tax Collector.

When you are registering a new vehicle, you must have a title if that vehicle is 1990 or newer. A 1989 or older vehicle requires one of the following as proof of the vehicle identification number (VIN) - a NH registration, a valid NH or out-of-state title, or a TDMV 19a form, available at the town office. If you are renewing a vehicle over 90 days late, you will be sent to the state DMV office to finish the registration. This often happens with motorcycles and boat trailers as they are not used during the winter.

New this year is the public availability to search initial license plates at NHGov>e-Government Services>Initial Plates. These plates are issued on a first come, first served basis at any of the DMV substations throughout the state or at any on-line municipal agent.

PLEASE BE ADVISED. YOU CAN ONLY CHANGE YOUR PLATES AT RENEWAL TIME. COME TO THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE AND PAY THE LOCAL FEES ONLY. ONCE THE LOCAL FEES ARE PAID, YOU MAY THEN CHANGE YOUR PLATES AT A DMV OFFICE OR AT AN ON-LINE MUNICIPAL AGENT.

Vital Records will have a new heirloom birth certificate available soon. Parents will have the option to buy this certificate for $25.00 in Concord only. An art contest was held for the design for the new heirloom birth certificate. The design was to go to press in January 2004.

Remember to license your dog. The law requires that every owner of a dog that is at least four months old must be licensed each year. A valid rabies certificate must be presented to the Town Clerk.

A big Thank You to all those who have volunteered to be election workers this year. If you would like to volunteer, call the Town Clerk's Office.

Lastly, I would like to thank everyone for their patience while Mary and I are learning a new motor vehicle/dog licensing software program.

VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINES

June 1, 2004 - Last day to change party affiliation prior to the State Primary Election.
September 7, 2004 - Last day to register to vote before Primary Election Day.
September 14, 2004 - STATE PRIMARY ELECTION DAY - Unregistered voters may register and vote on this day.
October 23, 2004 - Last day to register to vote until the General Election.
November 2, 2004 - GENERAL ELECTION DAY - Unregistered voters may register and vote on this day.

Respectfully submitted;

Carole Ingham

Carole Ingham,
Town Clerk
ndclerk@worldpath.net

Mary McHale
Deputy Town Clerk
ndtctc@worldpath.net

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK
Year Ending December 31, 2003

State Fees	2003	2002
Boats	$ 5,270.00	$ 4,749.00
Dogs	1,174.00	1,343.00
Marriage Licenses	456.00	380.00
OHRV	5,180.00	6,703.00
Vital Records	227.00	329.00
Total State Fees:	$ 12,307.00	$ 13,504.00

Town Revenue		
Agua Therm	$ 0.00	$ 0.50
Bad Check Fee	150.00	120.00
Boat Fees	2,678.82	2,802.62
Civil Forfeiture	100.00	35.00
Dog Licenses	2,185.00	2,475.00
Dog Licenses - Late Fees	47.00	316.00
Dump Stickers	672.00	757.00
Election Filing Fees	3.00	6.00
Federal & State Liens	210.00	60.00
Marriage Licenses	84.00	70.00
Municipal Agent Revenue	7,590.00	7,385.00
MV Registrations	390,908.05	348,377.00
Non-Profit Filing	10.00	0.00
OHRV	202.00	218.00
Photocopies	386.50	366.09
Pistol Permits	534.00	330.00
Pole & Cable Permits	30.00	10.00
Police Parking	25.00	0.00
Refunds	0.00	587.50
UCC Filings	1,054.00	1,445.00
Vital Records	117.00	175.00
Wetland Permit Fees	126.00	219.36
Total Town Revenue:	$ 407,112.87	$ 365,755.07
Total Income:	***$ 419,419.87***	***$ 379,259.07***

PAID TO TOWN TREASURER 2003 -- $ 419,419.87

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2003
TOWN OF NEW DURHAM GENERAL FUND

RECEIPTS

Cash Balance January 1, 2003	$ 884,055.11
Earned Interest	7,295.00
Received during 2003	5,831,069.00
TOTAL	$ 6,722,419.11

PAYMENTS

Accounts Payable per Selectmen's orders	$ 4,876,783.00
Payroll per Selectmen's orders	882,037.00
TOTAL	$ 5,758,820.00

Balance on hand December 31, 2003	$ 963,599.11

MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS -- 2003

Conservation Fund

Balance as of 1/1/2003		$51,810.36
Deposits	$ 5,000.00	
Interest	591.72	
Paid Out	0.00	
Balance as of 12/31/2003		$57,402.08

NDPD Drug Forfeiture Account

Balance as of 1/1/2003		$ 0.00
Deposits	$ 1,434.94	
Interest	5.88	
Paid Out	0.00	
Balance as of 12/31/2003		$ 1,440.82

Merrymeeting Road SAR Fund

Balance as of 1/1/2003		$32,884.15
Deposits	$ 0.00	
Interest	372.28	
Paid Out	0.00	
Balance as of 12/31/2003		$33,256.43

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REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2003

New Durham Ambulance Special Revenue Fund

Balance as of 1/1/2003		$53,338.64
Deposits	$24,398.68	
Interest	784.50	
Paid Out	0.00	
Balance as of 12/31/2003		$79,844.32

Police Station Fund

Balance as of 1/1/2003		$ 3,918.87
Deposits	$ 0.00	
Interest	33.31	
Paid Out	1,066.40	
Balance as of 12/31/2003		$ 2,885.78

Recreational Revolving Fund

Balance as of 1/1/2003		$ 8,875.17
Deposits	$53,677.20	
Interest	92.70	
Paid Out	62,545.07	
Balance as of 12/31/2003		$ 100.00

Yield Tax Escrow Account

Balance as of 1/1/2003		$ 1,351.19
Deposits	$ 0.00	
Interest	15.32	
Paid Out	0.00	
Balance as of 12/31/2003		$ 1,366.51

ROAD OR PROJECT BOND ACCOUNTS -- 2003

Thomas Aubert Escrow Account

Balance as of 1/12003		$ 1,307.77
Deposits	$ 0.00	
Interest	14.39	
Paid Out	0.00	
Balance as of 12/31/2003		$ 1,322.16

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REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2003

Cersosimo Lumber Road Bond

Balance as of 1/1/2003		$ 3,057.52
Deposits	$ 0.00	
Interest	33.68	
Paid Out	0.00	
Balance as of 12/31/2003		$ 3,091.20

Chamberlain Way Road Bond

Balance as of 1/1/2003		$46,191.87
Deposits	$32,500.00	
Interest	324.65	
Paid Out	46,431.98	
Balance as of 12/31/2003		$32,584.54

Copple Crown Road Improvements Bond

Balance as of 1/1/2003		$ 1,427.54
Deposits	$ 0.00	
Interest	16.19	
Paid Out	0.00	
Balance as of 12/31/2003		$ 1,443.73

Davis Crossing Road Bond

Balance as of 1/1/2003		$ 1,834.62
Deposits	$ 0.00	
Interest	20.19	
Paid Out	0.00	
Balance as of 12/31/2003		$ 1,854.81

Dickie Road Bond

Balance as of 1/1/2003		$ 0.00
Deposits	$ 500.00	
Interest	1.60	
Paid Out	0.00	
Balance as of 12/13/2003		$ 501.60

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REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2003

Diprizzio Road Bond

Balance as of 1/1/2003		$ 1,008.50
Deposits	$ 0.00	
Interest	11.11	
Paid Out	0.00	
Balance as of 12/31/2003		$ 1,019.61

Fadden/ Ham Road Bond

Balance as of 1/1/2003		$ 985.77
Deposits	$ 0.00	
Interest	10.85	
Paid Out	0.00	
Balance as of 12/31/2003		$ 996.62

Fountain Forestry Road Bond

Balance as of 1/1/2003		$ 0.00
Deposits	$ 1,000.00	
Interest	3.93	
Paid Out	1,003.93	
Account Closed as of 10/21/2003		$ 0.00

Hendrickson Road Bond

Balance as of 1/1/2003		$ 0.00
Deposits	$ 975.00	
Interest	3.49	
Paid Out	975.49	
Account Closed as of 5/31/2003		$ 0.00

Charles MacKay Reclamation Bond

Balance as of 1/1/2003		$ 3,568.56
Deposits	$ 0.00	
Interest	39.28	
Paid Out	0.00	
Balance as of 12/31/2003		$ 3,607.84

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REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2003

Meyer Road Bond

Balance as of 1/1/2003		$ 0.00
Deposits	$ 500.00	
Interest	1.60	
Paid Out	0.00	
Balance as of 12/02/2003		$ 501.60

Paradis Road Bond

Balance as of 1/1/2003		$ 0.00
Deposits	$ 500.00	
Interest	1.60	
Paid Out	0.00	
Balance as of 12/02/2003		$ 501.60

E. Randall Parquin Road Bond

Balance as of 1/1/2003		$ 1,908.54
Deposits	$ 0.00	
Interest	21.03	
Paid Out	0.00	
Balance as of 12/31/2003		$ 1,929.57

Whitker Fadden Road Inpromvements

Balance as of 1/1/2003		$ 1,915.94
Deposits	$ 0.00	
Interest	21.06	
Paid Out	0.00	
Balance as of 12/02/2003		$ 1,937.00

Respectfully submitted;

Joanne V. Heger

Joanne V. Heger
Deputy Treasurer

Jodie Beem
Treasurer

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DEDICATED SERVICE

Elaine T. Stimpson was recognized for 26 years of service to the Town of New Hampshire as Bookkeeper, Deputy Tax Collector and Deputy Town Clerk. Eliane retired in October 2003. Selectman Phil Kenny presents Elaine with a reconition of her years of service to New Durham.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS
For the Year Ending December 31, 2003

DATE OF CREATION	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PRINCIPAL BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	NEW FUNDS CREATED	WITHDRAWALS
COMMON TRUST:				
4/1/1900	OLD CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE	3,775.00		
9/3/1976	SHIRLEY CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE	5,750.00		
		9,525.00		
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS				
4/15/1988	CRF HIGHWAY TRUCK	71,222.60	35,000.00	
4/11/1994	CRF JC SHIRLEY SITE IMPROVEMENT	2,723.26		
6/7/1995	CFR HIGHWAY CHIPPER	4,500.00	5,000.00	
07/22/00	CRF FIRE STATION	58,000.00		-6,392.37
07/22/00	CRF POLICE CRUISER	14,699.39	14,000.00	-27,532.95
07/22/00	CRF REVALUATION	105,000.00	35,000.00	-58,447.91
07/22/00	CRF 1772 MEETING HOUSE	6,000.00	2,000.00	
08/09/01	CRF DRY HYDRANTS	3,000.00		
	CRF FIRE TRUCK		20,000.00	
		265,145.25	111,000.00	-92,373.23
GENERAL FUND TRUST				
9/2/1985	FIRE DEPT SCHOLARSHIP TRUST	11,886.96	1,820.00	
7/18/1986	E.C. SMITH SCHOLARSHIP TRUST	109,831.60		
10/3/1986	SMITH GARDEN TRUST	26,268.37		
7/9/1957	JC SHIRLEY CHARITY TRUST	13,878.41		
6/9/1988	UNCARED FOR GRAVEYARD TRUST	13,600.00	1,000.00	
		175,465.34	2,820.00	0.00
EXPENDABLE FUNDS				
5/30/1996	EXP COMPUTER & OFFICE MAINT	121.58	2,000.00	-2,000.00
12/31/1992	EXP ACCRUED EMPLOYEES BENEFIT	6,226.33	5,000.00	-7,256.78
9/16/1988	SHIRLEY CEMETERY GEN. FUND TRUST	41,028.82	3,575.00	
10/4/1982	VIETNAM MEMORIAL	244.99		
6/4/1961	JC SHIRLEY TIMBER TRUST	18,326.91		
12/1/1999	RECORD MANAGEMENT	3,586.04	1,000.00	-645.00
7/22/2000	TOWN BUILDINGS IMPROVEMENTS	386.45	2,000.00	-1,000.00
8/9/2001	EXP SURPLUS VEHICLES & EQUIP	1,900.00		
12/9/2002	EXP DAVIS CROSSING ROAD	5,000.00	5,000.00	
11/28/2003	EXP FOREST FIRE CONTROL FUND		2,000.00	
		76,821.12	20,575.00	-10,901.78
		526,956.71	134,395.00	-103,275.01

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS
For the Year Ending December 31, 2003

	INCOME				GRAND
BALANCE END YEAR	*BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR*	*INCOME DURING YEAR*	*EXPENDED DURING YEAR*	*BALANCE END YEAR*	TOTAL *OF PRINCIPAL & INCOME AT END OF YEAR*
3,775.00	7,565.15	151.63	-75.00	7,641.78	11,416.78
5,750.00	12,347.53	239.06	-232.00	12,354.59	18,104.59
9,525.00	19,912.68	390.69	-307.00	19,996.37	29,521.37
106,222.60	1,334.93	1,127.45		2,462.38	108,684.98
2,723.26	783.66	46.91		830.57	3,553.83
9,500.00	1,525.54	88.92		1,614.46	11,114.46
51,607.63	2,832.30	806.99		3,639.29	55,246.92
1,166.44	235.91	89.61		325.52	1,491.96
81,552.09	2,779.55	1,441.58		4,221.13	85,773.22
8,000.00	242.17	85.54		327.71	8,327.71
3,000.00	44.25	39.70		83.95	3,083.95
20,000.00		103.54		103.54	20,103.54
263,772.02	9,778.31	3,830.24	0.00	13,608.55	297,380.57
13,706.96	370.92	165.12		536.04	14,243.00
109,831.60	15,577.65	1,604.79	-3,000.00	14,182.44	124,014.04
26,268.37	5,620.84	415.93		6,036.77	32,305.14
13,878.41	9,218.10	283.21		9,501.31	23,379.72
14,600.00	4,939.71	250.09		5,189.80	19,789.80
178,285.34	35,727.22	2,719.14	-3,000.00	35,446.36	213,731.70
121.58	18.46	3.80		22.26	143.84
3,969.55	105.65	85.06		190.71	4,160.26
44,603.82	8,123.30	643.39	-2,346.43	6,420.26	51,024.08
244.99	403.13	8.68		411.81	656.80
18,326.91	3,843.87	296.63		4,140.50	22,467.41
3,941.04	125.62	43.38		169.00	4,110.04
1,386.45	24.70	8.41		33.11	1,419.56
1,900.00	85.49	25.90		111.39	2,011.39
10,000.00	4.06	77.86		81.92	10,081.92
2,000.00		4.11		4.11	2,004.11
86,494.34	12,734.28	1,197.22	-2,346.43	11,585.07	98,079.41
538,076.70	78,152.49	8,137.29	-5,653.43	80,636.35	638,713.05

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REPORT OF THE WELFARE DEPARTMENT

To the Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of New Durham:

The New Durham Welfare Department provides temporary assistance to New Durham residents as mandated by the laws of the State of New Hampshire. In the year 2003, this department provided assistance to 24 families. As in 2002, this was due to high rental costs, unemployment and the general state of the economy.

On April 16, 2003, the New Durham Board of Selectmen amended the Welfare Guidelines. The amendments pertained to rental properties and were taken from the New Hampshire Health Officers Manual. These are of public record and can be viewed at the Town Hall during business hours.

In 2003, the Town of New Durham provided $22,201.54 in temporary assistance. The following is an overview of public assistance rendered:

Town Residents served -- 81 people (41 Adults / 40 Children)

*Rent	$13,058.50
*Utilities	$ 3,102.83
*Medical	$ 1,137.61
*Heat	$ 4,237.96
* Emergency Housing	$ 764.64
* Miscellaneous	$ 100.00

**Strafford County Community Action also assisted 45 New Durham households with fuel assistance:*

Average per household:	*$620*
Total for New Durham:	*$27,918*

The Welfare Office is located on the second floor of the Town Hall, and is operated on a part-time basis. Residents in need of assistance can reach me at 859-0204 and leave a message on my voice mail. Certain qualification and documentation are needed to qualify and different options are always there for residents to pursue.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy T. Booth

Betsy T. Booth
Overseer of Public Welfare

REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

To the Residents of New Durham:

The New Durham Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) operates in accordance with RSA 672-677, and has the authority to act in four (4) separate and distinct categories. They are:

* Approving Special Exemptions
* Granting Variances
* Granting requests for Equitable Waivers of Dimensional Requirements
* Hearing appeals from any order, requirement, decision or determination made by an administrative official.

The New Durham ZBA consists of five (5) regular members and five (5) alternates. Current members are: Mauri Kenny, Helen Wellman, Larry Prelli, Peter Russell and Alternate Bill McGrew. I would like to express my appreciation to all the Board members for their dedication and service to New Durham. After several years as Chairman of the Board, Mauri Kenny stepped down to become Vice Chairman and she continues to provide the newer board members with relevant information about previous decisions made by the ZBA. The Board is pleased to welcome Kathleen Merrill as the new Land Use Clerk. Ms. Merrill is available to assist citizens with ZBA matters each day at the Town Hall.

2003 was another busy year for the ZBA. We met a total of ten (10) times during the year, nine (9) to hear requests for special exemptions and/or variance, and once for a work session to develop policies and procedures for ZBA activities.

The following requests for Special Exceptions were considered:

Operation of a commercial business on Route 11
3 requests 2 granted
The third requested to submit additional information to the Board.
Driveway or road over wetlands
3 requests 3 approved

The following requests for Variances were considered:

Allowing greater than 20% impervious service
1 request 1 approved with conditions

Lot line adjustment for a non-conforming lot
1 request 1 approved
Allowing 250-foot of road frontage instead of required 300 foot.
1 request 1 approved
Allowing a building on a designated woodlot
1 request 1 denied
Allowing a building less than 20 feet from the road
1 request 1 denied

This year for the first time, the ZBA has it's own operational policies and procedures and it's own operating budget. With these the Board will be even more accountable to the citizens of New Durham than in the past.

The New Durham ZBA currently has openings for four (4) alternate members. We usually meet the second Wednesday of each month from 7 PM to 9:30 PM. If you are interested in volunteering to service your community, please contact the ZBA at either ndurham@worldpath.net or visit with Kathleen Merrill at Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa Jarvis

Theresa Jarvis
Chairman

Tax Rate Calculation - 2003

		Property Taxes	Tax Rate
Town Portion			
Appropriations	$2,398,956		
Less: Revenues	(880,894)		
Less: Shared Revenues	(8,787)		
Add: Overlay	10,924		
Add: War Service Credits	12,600		
Net Town Appropriation		$ 1,532,799	
Municipal Tax Rate			$ 9.89
School Portion			
Regional School Apportionment	$3,540,590		
Less: Adequate Education Grant	(888,432)		
Less: State Education Taxes	(957,719)		
Approved School Tax Effort		$ 1,694,439	
Local Education Tax Rate			$ 10.93
Equalized Valuation (no utilities)			
$194,658,4222 x $4.92		$ 957,719	
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)			
$153,561,450			
State Edcation Taxes			$ 6.24
County Portion			
Due to County	$ 629,038		
Less: Shared Revenue	(2,610)		
Approved County Tax Effort		$ 626,428	
County Tax Rate			$ 4.04
Combined Tax Rate			$ 31.10
Total Property Taxes Assessed		$ 4,811,385	
Less: War Service Credits		(12,600)	
Add: Copple Crown Village District Commitment		32,278	$ 10.87
TOTAL PROPERTY TAX COMMITMENT		$ 4,831,063	$ 41.97

INVENTORY OF VALUATION
TAX YEAR 2003

Taxable Land	$ 70,118,100
Taxable Buildings	81,215,200
Mobile Homes	2,520,600
Electric Utilities	1,433,000
Valuations Before Exemptions	$ 155,286,900
Exemptions Allowed:	
Less Blind Exemption (1)	$ 15,000
Elderly Exemptions (19)	275,000
Solar/Windpower Exemption (2)	2,450
Total Exemptions	$ 292,450

Net Valuation on Which Tax Rate is Computed: $ 154,994,450

TAX RATE FOR 2003

Town	$ 9.89
Local Education	10.93
State Education	6.24
County	4.04
	$ 31.10
Copple Crown	$ 10.87

Equalization Ratio for 2003: 48.6%

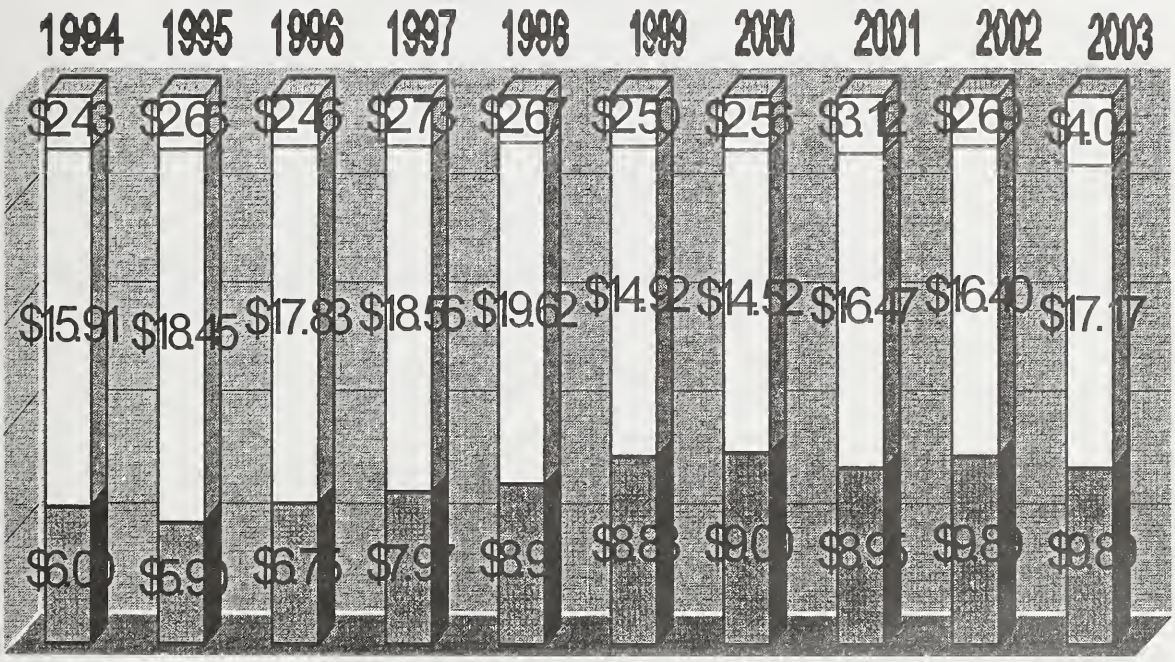
Proof of Rate - 2003

	Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Ed. Tax	$153,561,450	6.24	$ 957,719
All Other Taxes	$154,994,450	24.86	$ 3,853,666
Copple Crown	$ 2,969,500	10.87	$ 32,278

NET VALUATIONS 1993 - 2003

Year	Valuations
1993	$150,263,531
1994	149,470,516
1995	132,961,800
1996	134,402,379
1997	135,640,860
1998	137,289,322
1999	139,583,642
2000	141,671,150
2001	145,634,785
2002	149,484,350
2003	154,994,450

TEN-YEAR TAX RATE COMPARISON



TOWN ***(Top)*** **EDUCATION** ***(Middle)*** **COUNTY** ***(Bottom)***

BOND SCHEDULE

Municipal Lease/Purchase Agreement

2001 E-One Aerial Ladder Truck
Agreement held by Citizens Bank & LaSalle Bank, N.A.
Issue Date of April 20, 2001
$245,000 Eight Year Agreement - Interest Rate 5.190%

Due Date	Principal Payment	Interest Payment	Total Payment	Purchase Option
4/24/2003	$26,805	11,393	38,199	196,566
4/24/2004	28,197	10,002	38,199	167,805
4/24/2005	29,660	8,538	38,199	137,551
4/24/2006	31,200	6,999	38,199	105,728
4/24/2007	32,819	5,380	38,199	72,253
4/24/2008	34,522	3,676	38,199	37,040
4/24/2009	36,314	1,885	38,199	0.00

Municipal Lease/Purchase Agreement

1999 John Deere 672 CH Motor Grader
Agreement held by Farmington National Bank
Issue Date of June 22, 1999
$90,000 Four Year Agreement - Interest Rate 4.5% Fixed

Due Date	Principal Payment	Interest Payment	Total Payment	Purchase Option
1/22/2003	11,250	547.01	11,797.01	11,250.00
7/22/2003	11,250	276.58	11,526.58	0.00

Bond Principal & Interest Payment Schedule

Landfill Closure
State Revolving Fund - NH Department of Environemtnal Services
Issue Date of November 1, 2001
$557,996 Five Year Agreement - Annual Interest Rate 1.3950%

Due Date	Principal Payment	Interest Payment	Total Payment	Balance
12/01/03	111,599	4,670.43	116,270	227,839
12/01/04	111,599	3,113.63	114,713	113,156
12/01/05	111,599	1,556.81	113,156	0.00

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

MAP / LOT	LOCATION	VALUE
9 - 71	Town Hall & Land	$ 293,100
	Furniture and Equipment	100,000
9 - 71	Police Department Facility	112,400
	Police Department Equipment	100,000
9 - 86	New Durham Public Library & Land	204,800
	Furniture and Equipment	201,250
9 - 71	Fire Station & Land	169,500
	Equipment	350,000
7 - 5	Highway Department Garage & Land	188,000
	Equipment	686,500
	Transfer Station/Landfill Equip.	49,000
8 - 8A	Cemetery	18,600
9 - 61	Ballfield	38,500
17 - 24	Old Dump Lot-Merrymeeting Rd	19,800
10 - 38	Old Dump Lot-Brackett Rd R/S	56,400
17 - 5	Old Dump Lot-Brackett Rd L/S	27,500
29 - 400	Land, Merrymeeting Lake, South Shore (Spring)	11,300
9 - 84	Water Hole, Birch Hill Road	2,600
15A - 90	Dam & Gate House, March Pond	1,400
7 - 20	Land & Bldg., Old Bay Road	
	Town Pound & Town House	28,800
	Dam, Downing Pond	125,000
28 - 1	Town Beach, South Shore Road	134,200
28 - 6	Town Beach Parking, South Shore Rd.	12,900
39 - 14D	Land, North Shore (Fletcher Lot)	2,300
TOTAL TOWN PROPERTY		$ 2,933,850

CONSERVATION LANDS

8 - 7 & 8	Shirley Forest Lot	245,600
7A - 2	Land, Drew Road	25,600
7A - 20	Land, Drew Road	24,100
TOTAL CONSERVATION LANDS		$ 295,300

LAND & BUILDINGS ACQUIRED THROUGH TAX COLLECTOR'S DEEDS

MAP/LOT	LOCATION	VALUE
10 - 42	Land, Merrymeeting Road	8,800
15A - 1	Land, Chalk Pond	9,700
15B - 35	Land, Brienne Road	15,700
24 - 16	Land, Devil's Den Road	16,500
25A - 35	Land, Kings Highway	7,900
26A - 2	Land, Kings Highway	2,100
27A - 2, Sec. 2	Land, Mountain Drive	14,200
27A - 7, Sec. 2	Land, Franconia Drive	3,400
27A - 21, Sec. 2	Land, Franconia Drive	5,500
27A - 23, Sec. 2	Land, Mountain Drive	8,700
27A - 27, Sec. 2	Land, Deer Lane	6,300
27A - 39, Sec. 2	Land, Franconia Drive	4,900
27A - 42, Sec. 3	Land, Innsbruck Drive	1,100
27A - 43, Sec. 2	Land, Franconia Drive	8,500
27A - 43, Sec. 3	Land, Innsbruck Drive	1,100
27A - 56, Sec. 3	Land, Innsbruck Drive	1,000
27A - 61, Sec. 3	Land, Innsbruck Drive	1,000
27A - 68, Sec. 3	Land, Garmish Drive	1,100
27A - 80, Sec. 3	Land, Garmish Drive	4,200
27A - 86, Sec. 3	Land, St. Moritz Road	5,400
27A - 94, Sec. 3	Land, St. Moritz Road	4,800
27A - 120, Sec. 3	Land, Mountain Drive	10,300
27A - 129, Sec. 3	Land, Lucerne Lane	1,100
TOTAL LAND & BUILDINGS ACQUIRED		$ 143,300

TOTAL VALUE OF INVENTORY OF TOWN PROPERTY: $3,372,450

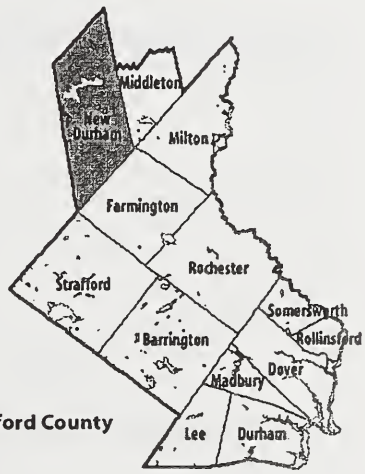
New Durham, NH

Incorporated:	**1762**
Community Contact:	**TOWN OF NEW DURHAM** **William G. Herman, Town Administrator** **PO Box 207, 4 Main Street** **New Durham, NH 03855**
Telephone:	**(603) 859-2091**
Fax:	**(603) 859-6644**
E-mail:	**ndadmin@worldpath.net**
Web Site:	**www.worldpath.net/~ndurham**
City/Town Office Hours:	**Monday through Friday, 9 am - 4 pm, and Saturday, 9 am - 12 noon**
County:	**Strafford**
Labor Market Area:	**Conway**
Planning Commission:	**Strafford Regional**
Tourism Region:	**Lakes**

Demographics, 2000 Census: From 1990 to 2000, New Durham's population increased by 12.5 percent to 2,220, adding 246 residents. The median age is 38.1, with 27.3 percent of the population under the age of 18 and 10.7 percent age 65 and older. The total number of households is 819, with an average size of 2.7 persons. Of those, 631 are family households, with an average size of 3.1 persons. As of April 1, 2000, there were 1,308 total housing units.

Population density, 2002: 55.4 persons per square mile of land area. New Durham contains 41.4 square miles of land area and 2.4 square miles of inland water area.

Origin: Granted in 1749 as Cocheco, New Durham was first settled almost entirely by colonists from Durham, New Hampshire. It was incorporated as New Durham in 1762. An early minister in the town, Reverend Benjamin Randall, founded a new religious denomination called the "Free-Will Baptists," later known as Free Baptists.



Strafford County

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Municipal Services

City/Town Office Hours:
M-F 9-4 pm, S 9-12

Type of Government	**Selectmen**
Annual Budget (2003)	**$2,405,056**
Planning Board	**Appointed**
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	**Reg. Planning Comm.**
Zoning Ordinance	**1971/03**
Master Plan	**1983**
Capital Improvement Plan	**Yes**
Public Library	**New Durham Public**

Emergency Services

Police Department	**Full-time**
Fire Department	**Volunteer**
Town Fire Insurance Rating	**9/10**
Emergency Medical Service	**Volunteer**

Nearest Hospital(s):
Frisbie Memorial, Rochester
Distance: **15 miles** Staffed Beds: **70**

Property Taxes

2002 Total Tax Rate	**$28.98**
2002 Equalization Ratio	**54.0**
2002 Full Value Tax Rate	**$15.78**

2002 Property Valuation:		
	Residential	**96.2%**
	Commercial	**2.2%**
	Other	**1.6%**

Utilities

Electric Supplier	**PSNH; NH Electric Coop.**
Natural Gas Supplier	**None**
Water Supplier	**Private wells**
Sanitation	**Private septic**
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	**No**
Curbside Trash Pickup	**No**
Mandatory Recycling Program	**Yes**
Telephone Company	**Verizon; Union**
Cellular Telephone Access	**Yes**
Cable Television Access	**Yes**
High Speed Cable Internet Service	
Business Cable Internet Service	**Yes**
Residential Cable Internet Service	**Yes**

Housing

2001 Total Housing Units	**1,373**
2001 Single-Family Units	**1,243**
Building Permits Issued	**24**
2001 Multi-Family Units	**18**
Building Permits Issued	**0**
2001 Manufactured Housing Units	**112**
2000 Census Housing Costs	
Median Value, Owner-Occupied Housing	**$117,700**
Median Gross Rent (monthly)	**$733**

Demographics

Total Population	Community	County
2001	**2,295**	**114,624**
2000	**2,220**	**112,233**
1990	**1,974**	**104,233**
1980	**1,183**	**85,324**
1970	**583**	**70,431**

2000 Census Demographics

Population by Gender
Male **1,151** Female **1,069**

Population by Age Group	
Under age 5	**145**
Age 5 to 19	**501**
Age 20 to 34	**324**
Age 35 to 54	**810**
Age 55 to 64	**202**
Age 65 and over	**238**
Median Age	**38.1 years**

Total Households	**819**	Ave. Size	**2.7 persons**
Total Families	**631**	Ave. Size	**3.1 persons**

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	**90.0%**
Bachelor's degree or higher	**24.9%**

Annual Income, 1999 (US Census)

Per capita income	**$22,139**
Median 4-person family income	**$52,941**
Median household income	**$52,270**
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	**$35,574**
Female	**$28,092**
Families below the poverty level	**3.7%**

Transportation

Road Access	Federal Routes	
	State Routes	**11**
Nearest Interstate, Exit		**Spaulding Tpk., Exit 15**
	Distance	**14 miles**
Railroad		**No**
Public Transportation		**No**
Nearest Airport		**Wolfeboro**
Runway		**2,540 feet**
Lighted? **Yes**	Navigational Aids?	**Yes**
Nearest Commercial Airport		**Pease**
Distance		**33 miles**

Distance To

Manchester, NH	**43 miles**
Portland, ME	**85 miles**
Boston, MA	**89 miles**
New York City, NY	**296 miles**
Montreal, Quebec	**259 miles**

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EDUCATION/CHILD CARE FACILITIES

Primary & Secondary	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			
Grade Levels	K-6			
Total Enrollment	204			

If no schools, district students attend: **Kingswood Regional Middle & HS, Wolfeboro** Distance: **17 miles**
Regional Career Technology Center(s): **Kingswood Regional High School** Region: **09**

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2003: Total Facilities: **2** Total Capacity: **42**

Nearest Community/Technical College: **Laconia**
Nearest Colleges or Universities: **McIntosh; University of NH**

LARGEST EMPLOYERS	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Foxy Johnnie	Restaurant	15	
Town of New Durham	Municipal services	25	
New Durham School	Education	19	
State of New Hampshire	Fish hatchery	12	
Powerspan	Computer boards	50	1979
New Durham Railway Station	Restaurant	15	

LABOR FORCE

Annual Average	1992	2002
Civilian labor force	1,134	1,300
Employed	1,063	1,233
Unemployed	71	67
Unemployment rate	6.3%	5.2%

COMMUTING TO WORK (US CENSUS)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	82.8%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	10.7%
Public transportation	0.0
Walked	1.5%
Other means	1.2%
Worked at home	3.8%
Mean Travel Time to Work	35.9 minutes

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

	2001	2002
Goods Producing		
Average Employment	21	18
Average Weekly Wage	$648	$549
Service Providing		
Average Employment	141	134
Average Weekly Wage	$597	$745
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	161	152
Average Weekly Wage	$604	$722
Government		
Average Employment	78	89
Average Weekly Wage	$511	$484
Total, Private plus Government		
Average Employment	239	241
Average Weekly Wage	$573	$634

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RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
X	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
X	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
	Museums
	Cinemas
	Performing Arts Facilities
	Tourist Attractions
X	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
X	Youth Sports: Baseball
X	Youth Sports: Soccer
	Youth Sports: Football
X	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
X	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
X	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing

Nearest Ski Area(s): **Gunstock**

Other:

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TOWN OF NEW DURHAM - GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2003

	Appropriation	Expended	(Over)/Under Budget
General Government			
4130 - Executive	$ 80,163	$ 79,518	$ 645
4140 - Elections & Registrations	36,415	37,692	(1,277)
4150 - Financial Administration	60,982	56,841	4,140
4152 - Revaluation of Property	24,012	20,604	3,408
4153 - Legal Expenses	15,750	23,260	(7,510)
4155 - Personnel Administration	283,304	282,405	900
4191 - Planning Board & Zoning	20,343	23,092	(2,749)
4194 - General Government Bldgs.	34,117	39,341	(5,224)
4195 - Cemetery	8,965	6,914	2,051
4196 - Insurance	22,500	22,767	(267)
4199 - Other General Government	10,400	10,298	102
Total: General Government	$ 596,951	$ 602,732	$ (5,781)
Public Safety			
4210 - Police	$ 222,246	$ 219,328	$ 2,918
4220 - Fire	91,277	64,068	27,209
4240 - Building Inspection	8,565	9,124	(559)
4290 - Emergency Management	11,756	11,266	490
4299 - Other Public Safety	29,154	29,331	(177)
TOTAL: Public Safety	$ 362,998	$ 333,117	$ 29,881
Highways and Streets			
4312 - Highways & Streets	$ 354,814	$ 354,814	$ 0
4316 - Street Lights	6,250	5,260	990
4319 - Equipment Mechanic	93,226	105,028	(11,802)
TOTAL: Highways and Streets	$ 454,290	$ 465,102	$ (10,812)
Sanitation			
4324 - Solid Waste Disposal	$ 230,322	$ 248,626	$ (18,304)
TOTAL: Sanitation	$ 230,322	$ 248,626	$ (18,304)
Health and Welfare			
4411 - Health Officer	$ 4,100	$ 2,027	$ 2,073
4414 - Pest Control (ACO)	5,526	4,468	1,058
4415 - Health Agencies/CAP	3,800	3,820	(20)
4442 - Public Assistance	$ 33,635	$ 32,374	$ 1,261
TOTAL: Health and Welfare	$ 47,061	$ 42,689	$ 4,372

	Appropriation	Expended	(Over)/Under Budget
Culture and Recreation			
4520 - Parks and Recreation	$ 58,104	$ 57,476	$ 628
4550 - Library	54,771	53,585	1,186
4583 - Town Historian	3,155	3,050	105
TOTAL: Culture and Recreation	$ 116,030	$ 114,111	$ 1,919
Conservation			
4612 - Conservation Commission	$ 1,775	$ 1,399	$ 376
TOTAL: Conservation	$ 1,775	$ 1,399	$ 376
Debt Service			
4711 - Principle on Bonds	$160,905	$ 160,905	$ 0
4721 - Interest on Bonds	16,914	16,821	93
4723 - Interest on TAN	10,000	66	9,934
TOTAL: Debt Service	$187,819	$ 177,792	$ 10,027
Capital Outlay			
4901 - Road Reconstruction/Paving	$ 166,045	$ 166,045	0
4901 - SW & Recycling Facility	46,000	46,000	0
4902 - Computer Systems Upgrade	4,500	4,500	0
4902 - Master Plan Update	5,000	5,000	0
4902 - Emergency Generator	32,000	32,000	0
4903 - Library Air Conditioning	2,000	1,905	95
4903 - Town Hall Heating System	14,300	14,300	0
4903 - Town Buildings Alarms	2,865	2,965	(100)
TOTAL: Capital Outlay	$ 272,710	$ 272,715	$ (5)
Operating Transfers Out			
4915 - Highway Truck CRF	$ 35,000	$ 35,000	$ 0
4915 - Police Cruisers CRF	14,000	14,000	0
4915 - Fire Trucks CRF	20,000	20,000	0
4915 - Revaluation CRF	35,000	35,000	0
4915 - Highway Chipper CRF	5,000	5,000	0
4915 - Meeting House Restore CRF	2,000	2,000	0
4915 - Davis Crossing Culverts CRF	5,000	5,000	0
4916 - Uncared for Graveyards	1,000	1,000	0
4916 - Computer & Office Equip. Maint.	2,000	2,000	0
4916 - Records Management	1,000	1,000	0
4916 - Town Bldg. Improvements	2,000	2,000	0
4916 - Forest Fire Control	2,000	2,000	0
4916 - Accrued Benefit Liability	5,000	5,000	0
TOTAL: Operating Transfer Out	$ 129,000	$129,000	$ 0
TOTAL TOWN GOVERNMENT	**$2,398,956**	**$2,387,283**	**$ 11,673**

FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2003

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

FROM LOCAL TAXES:		
Property Tax	$ 4,762,097	
Excavation Taxes	392	
Yield Taxes	8,130	
Land Use Change Taxes	26,450	
Interest Collected	22,111	
TAXES COLLECTED AND REMITTED:		4,819,180
BUSINESS LICENSES & PERMITS:		
Cable Television Franchise Fee	10,490	
Uniform Commercial Code (UCC) Fees	1,054	
TOTAL BUSINESS LICENSES & PERMITS		11,544
MOTOR VEHICLE PERMITS:		
Motor Vehicle Permits	390,908	
Motor Vehicle Agent Revenue	7,590	
TOTAL MOTOR VEHICLE PERMITS		398,498
BUILDING PERMITS:		25,196
OTHER LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES:		
Dog Licenses & Fines	2,233	
Pistol Permits	534	
Boat Fees	2,679	
Marriage Licenses	84	
Vital Records	117	
OHRV Permits	202	
Civil Forfeiture	100	
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	2,703	
TOTAL LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES:		8,652
REVENUE FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT:		
FEMA Snow Emergency Declaration	10,418	
Drug Forteiture Funds	1,435	
TOTAL REVENUE FROM FEDERAL GOVT.		11,853

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS - 2003

REVENUE FROM STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE:		
Shared Revenue Block Grant	21,940	
Rooms & Meals Tax Revenue	68,947	
Highway Block Grant	91,045	
Landfill Closure Grant	22,253	
Emergency Generator Grant	24,000	
Em. Management Planning Grant	3,540	
TOTAL REVENUE FROM STATE OF NH		231,725
INCOME FROM DEPARTMENTS:		
Planning Board	14,095	
Zoning Board of Adjustment	1,180	
Recycling Revenues	6,317	
Solid Waste Disposal Fees	9,798	
Dump Stickers	866	
Police Department Details	5,230	
Court Witness Fees	840	
Employment Contract Reimbursement	1,200	
Cemetery Revenues	1,525	
Miscellanous Revenues	464	
TOTAL INCOME FROM DEPARTMENTS		41,515
SALE OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY:		
Surplus PC Units	1,022	
Sale of Tax Deeded Properties	2,326	
TOTAL SALE OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY		3,348
INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS:		7,295
FINES & FORFEITS:		3,971
INSURANCE DIVIDENDS & REIMBURSEMENTS:		
Primex Dividend	13,116	
Reimbursement - Health Insurance	2,407	
TOTAL INSURANCE DIVIDENDS & REIMBURSEMENTS		15,523

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS - 2003

OTHER MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES:		
Other Revenues	3,335	
NSF - Bad Check Charges	50	
Miscellanous Credits/Refunds	13,891	
TOTAL OTHER MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES		17,276
OTHER FINANCIAL SOURCES:		
Trust & Agency Funds	10,902	
Accrued Benefits -- $ 7,257		
Equip. Maintenance -- 2,000		
Town Bldg. Improvements -- 1,000		
Records Management -- 645		
Withdrawals from Capital Reserve	92,308	
Police Cruiser -- 27,467		
Revaluation Project -- 58,448		
Fire Station Expansion -- 6,393		
Interfund Transfers	81,271	
Recreational Revolving Fund -- 62,545		
Fountain Forestry Road Bond -- 1,004		
Hendrickson Road Bond -- 975		
NDHD Property Timber Cut Proceeds -- 13,747		
Merrymeeting Lake Assn. Donations -- 3,000		
Tax Anticipation Notes	46,000	
State Fees Collected	12,307	
TOTAL OTHER FINANCIAL SOURCES		242,788
TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM ALL SOURCES		$ 5,838,364

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS - 2003

4130 - EXECUTIVE

Town Officers' Salaries	$	6,500
Town Administrator's Salary		46,475
Clerical Wages		4,825
Telephone		4,071
Office Supplies		2,187
Equipment & Maintenance		2,183
Printing		2,264
Advertising		1,132
Postage		2,776
Mileage		3,073
Dues & Fees		786
Books & Subscriptions		276
Meetings & Conferences		2,493
Registry of Deeds		477
TOTAL: Executive	$	79,518

4140 - ELECTIONS & REGISTRATION

Wages	$	35,391
Software Licenses		1,945
Advertising		124
Postage		35
Printing of Ballots		136
Lunches		61
TOTAL: Elections & Registrations	$	37,692

4150 - FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

Town Officer's Salaries	$	21,631
Bookkeeper's Wages		17,439
Finance Clerk's Wages		2,887
Contracted Services		2,491
Software Licenses		2,372
Auditing Services		5,700
Deed/Lien Search		365
Printing / Tax Bills		1,244
Postage		2,288
Bank Charges		64
Budget Committee		360
TOTAL: Financial Administration	$	56,841

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4152 - REVALUATION OF PROPERTY

Assessor's Salary	$	10,000
Assessing Clerk's Wages		6,188
Office Supplies		199
Mileage		123
Computer Software License		2,615
Telephone		219
Tax Map Update		810
Training		450
TOTAL: Revaluation of Property	$	20,604

4153 - LEGAL EXPENSES

Legal Counsel	$	20,827
Court Prosecution		2,433
TOTAL: Legal Expenses	$	23,260

4155 - PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION

Social Security Taxes	$	39,591
Medicare Taxes		11,677
Unemployment Compensation Coverage		277
Workers Compensation Coverage		18,774
NH Retirement System		35,817
Dental Insurance		9,552
Health Insurance		147,826
Disability Insurance		8,419
Deferred Compensation Contributions		5,547
Longevity Pay		4,149
DOT Drug & Alcohol Testing		776
TOTAL: Personnel Administration	$	282,405

4191 - PLANNING & ZONING

Wages	$	12,867
Telephone		718
Office Supplies		430
Training		312
Printing		323
Advertising		2,154
Postage		1,264
Dues & Fees		2,114
Books & Subscriptions		165
Recording Fees		295
Contracted Services		2,450
TOTAL: Planning & Zoning	$	23,091

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4194 - GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS

Wages	$	8,084
Electricity		16,445
Building Maintenance		2,545
Lawn Maintenance		228
Supplies		1,298
Heating Oil & Service		10,741
TOTAL: General Government Buildings	$	39,341

4195 - CEMETERIES

Labor & Equipment	$	1,535
Electricity		110
Supplies		115
Mower Tractor		4,329
Opening Graves		825
TOTAL: Cemeteries	$	6,914

4196 - INSURANCE

NH Public Risk Management Exchange		
Property & Liability Coverage	$	22,767
TOTAL: Insurance	$	22,767

4199 - OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Contracted Services	$	1,115
Repeater Lease		900
Contingency Fund		8283
TOTAL: Other General Government	$	10,298

4210 - POLICE DEPARTMENT

Wages	$	197,530
Telephone		4,209
Office Supplies		834
Office Equipment/Maintenance		871
Printing		278
Postage		300
Film/Developing		92
Books & Subscriptions		131
Gasoline		5,696
Pager		345
Radio Maintenance		1,928
Building Maintenance		402

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS - 2003

4210 - POLICE DEPARTMENT *(Continued)*

Uniforms	2,798
Training	2,656
Ammo	1,258
TOTAL: Police Department	$ 219,328

4220 - FIRE DEPARTMENT

Telephone	$ 2,023
Office Supplies	289
Dues & Fees	583
Vehicle Fuel	1,369
Radio Equipment Maintenance	761
Building Maintenance	2,069
Uniforms	2,563
Equipment	7,886
Medical Supplies	2,401
Fire Department Compensation	34,999
Training	4,947
Fire Prevention Program	99
Hazardous Material	977
Inspections	1,081
Equipment Maintenance	2,021
TOTAL: Fire Department	$ 64,068

4240 - BUILDING INSPECTION

Wages	$ 7,981
Supplies	72
Mileage	634
ICC Dues	120
Training	130
Books & Subscriptions	188
TOTAL:Building Inspection	$ 9,124

4290 - EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Emergency Management	$ 11,066
Dam Inspections & Maintenance	200
TOTAL - Emergency Management	$ 11,266

4299 - OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY

Outside Details	$ 5,258
Court Witness Fees	720

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4299 - OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY *(Continued)*

Police & Fire Dispatch Services	23,353
Ambulance Billing Service	2,561
TOTAL - Other Public Safety Funds	$ 31,892

4312 - HIGHWAYS & STREETS

Wages	$ 201,678
Telephone	2,110
Gasoline	2,756
Radio Maintenance	724
Building Maintenance	1,332
Supplies	2,661
Uniforms	2,450
Kerosene/Propane	97
Equipment	10,452
Safety Equipment & Training	1,526
Diesel Fuel	14,301
Brush Cutter	3,840
Equipment Rental	23,955
Sand	15,000
Cold Patch	1,971
Tar	20,000
Salt	28,186
Gravel & Calcium Chloride	18,165
Culverts	3,610
TOTAL: Highways & Streets	$ 354,814

4316 - STREET LIGHTS

Street Lights	$ 5,260

4319 - EQUIPMENT MECHANIC

Wages	$ 38,919
Telephone	555
Contracted Services	10,693
Equipment Rental	45
Supplies	6,692
Uniforms	855
Equipment	9,304
Highway Vehicles	28,222
Police Vehicles	4,111
Fire Vehicles	2,326
Recreation Department Equipment	495

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS - 2003

4319 - EQUIPMENT MECHANIC *(Continued)*

Equipment Mechanic's Vehicle	986
Landfill Vehicles	1,825
TOTAL: Equipment Mechanic	$ 105,028

4324 - SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL

Wages	$ 61,204
Telephone	919
Vehicle Fuel	806
Building Maintenance	830
Equipment Rental	3,443
Supplies	2,628
Uniforms	904
Mileage/Training	176
Landfill Monitoring	20,334
Waste Removal	41,839
Tipping/Hauling	115,543
TOTAL: Solid Waste Disposal	$ 248,626

4411 - HEALTH

Administration	$ 1,400
Mileage	300
Police & Fire Immunization	147
Water Tests	30
Postage	150
TOTAL: Health	$ 2,027

4414 - ANIMAL CONTROL

Animal Control Officer's Salary	$ 1,725
Postage	200
Care & Service	2,543
TOTAL: Animal Control	$ 4,468

4415 - HEALTH AGENCIES

Rural District Health VNA, Inc.	$ 2,220
Homemakers of Strafford County	600
Strafford County CAP	1,000
TOTAL: Health Agencies	$ 3,820

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4441 - PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

Welfare Officer's Wages	$ 9,225
Telephone	601
Office Supplies	13
Postage	50
Mileage/Conferences	45
Dues & Fees	30
Equipment Maintenance	24
Printing	185
Direct Assistance	22,201
TOTAL: Public Assistance	$ 32,374

4520 - PARKS & RECREATION

Salaries	$ 39,350
Telephone	963
Office Supplies	221
Postage	50
Mileage	1,200
Dues & Fees	2,758
Gasoline	66
Electricity	529
Contracted Services	719
Ballfield Maintenance	3,085
Uniforms	1,108
Awards	118
Education	125
Sports Equipment	3,408
Game Officiating	2,560
Town Beach	1,216
TOTAL: Parks & Recreation	$ 57,476

4550 - LIBRARY

Wages	$ 33,985
Health Insurance	1,900
Dental Insurance	264
Operating Funds (paid to Library Trustees)	17,435
TOTAL: Library	$ 53,585

4583 - TOWN HISTORIAN

Patriotic Purposes	$ 455
Archives	1,260
Uncared for Cemeteries	435
TOTAL: Town Historian	$ 2,150

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS - 2003

CONSERVATION COMMISSION:	1,399
PRINCIPAL - LONG TERM NOTES:	160,905
INTEREST - LONG TERM NOTES:	16,821
INTEREST - TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES:	66
TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES:	46,000
ROAD RECONSTRUCTION/PAVING:	166,045
SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING FACILITY:	44,918
COMPUTER SYSTEMS UPGRADE:	4,500
MASTER PLAN UPDATE:	5,000
LIBRARY AIR CONDITIONING:	1,905
TOWN HALL HEATING SYSTEM:	14,296
TOWN BUILDINGS ALARM SYSTEMS	2,965
HIGHWAY DEPT. TRUCK CAPITAL RESERVE FUND:	35,000
FIRE TRUCK CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	20,000
POLICE CRUISERS CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	14,000
HIGHWAY CHIPPER CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	5,000
MEETING HOUSE RESTORATION CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	2,000
DAVIS CROSSING RD. CULVERTS CAPITAL RESERVE FUND:	5,000
REVALUATION CAPITAL RESERVE FUND:	35,000
UNCARED FOR GRAVEYARDS TRUST FUND	1,000
ACCRUED BENEFIT LIABILITY TRUST FUND	5,000
COMPUTER & OFFICE EQUIP. MAINT. TRUST FUND	2,000

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS - 2003

RECORDS MANAGEMENT TRUST FUND:	1,000
FOREST FIRE CONTROL TRUST FUND	2,000
TOWN BUILDINGS IMPROVEMENTS TRUST FUND:	2,000
TAXES PAID TO COUNTY:	629,038
TAXES PAID TO VILLAGE DISTRICT:	32,260
PAYMENTS TO SCHOOL DISTRICT:	2,376,044
STATE FEES COLLECTED:	12,307
TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN:	83,213
GRANTS & SPECIAL FUNDS:	
Recreational Revolving Fund	63,458
Town Buildings Improvements	1,760
Computer & Office Equipment Maintenance Expenses	2,000
Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund	27,467
Revaluation Project	58,448
Emergency Management / Supplemental Planning Grant	648
Accrued Benefits Paid Out	7,257
Records Management Expenable Trust Fund	645
Highway Department Sand & Salt Facility	4,881
Merrymeeting Lake Association Donations	3,000
Fire Station Expansion	6,392
FEMA Snow Emergency Funds	10,418
FROM ENCUMBERED FUNDS - 2002:	
Police Department	1,177
Master Plan Upodate	3,300
Road Reconstruction	32,081
Town Historian / Archives	1,628
Emergency Management / Design Planning	2,200
March's Pond Dam Upgrade	3,681
Police Station Funds	52
GRAND TOTAL OF ALL EXPENDITURES:	$ 5,758,820

The financial records for 2003 had not been reviewed or audited by the Town's auditing firm at the time the Town Report went to press.

TOWN OF NEW DURHAM GRANTS & GIFTS -- 2003

SOURCE	GRANT AMOUNT	TOTAL*
NH Department of Safety		
Division of Fire Safety & Emergency Management		
Emergency Management Assistance	5,627.80	11,255.60
Homeland Security Act I	5,289.47	5,289.47
Homeland Security Act II	5,469.00	5,469.00
Emergency Generator Grant Program	24,000.00	32,000.00
FY02 Supplemental Planning Grant	3,539.62	3,539.62
NH Department of Environmental Services		
Landfill Closure - State Aid Grant	22,657.32	22,657.32
NH Fish and Game Department		
OHRV Enforcement Patrols	2,856.00	2,856.00
Federal Emergency Management Agency		
Snow Emergency Declaration	10,417.77	19,200.00
Frisbe Memorial Hospital Foundation		
Defibrillator	2,500.00	2,500.00
U.S. Department of Justice		
Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant	246.00	492.00
Merrymeeting Lake Association		
New Durham Police Association	1,500.00	1,500.00
New Durham Fire Company	1,500.00	1,500.00
TOTALS	**$85,602.98**	**$108,259.01**

** Total Amount Spent Includes Local Match Required Under Certain Grant Programs*

STATEMENT OF LEGAL EXPENSES - 2003

Case / Issue	Expense
Barron Vs. Town of New Durham (Planning Board / Subdivision Dispute)	$ 5,973.23
Hussey Property (Appraisal for Acquisition)	$ 5,386.45
Planning Board / General Representation	$ 3,247.47
ZBA Meetings / Training	$ 638.00
Deed & Lien Search	$ 365.00
General Representation	$ 5,974.06
Police Prosecution / District Court	$ 2,423.72
TOTAL LEGAL EXPENSES	$ 23,369.93

TOWN OFFICIALS, EMPLOYEES & VOLUNTEERS

EXECUTIVE:
William G. Herman, Town Administrator
Carole M. Ingham, Town Clerk & Tax Collector
Elaine R. Stimpson, Bookkeeper & Deputy Town Clerk *(Retired)*
Vickie L. Blackden, Bookkeeper & Assessing Clerk
Mary K. McHale, Deputy Tax Collector & Deputy Town Clerk
Joan A. Goodrich, Land Use Clerk *(Resigned)*
Kathleen L. Merrill, Land Use Clerk
Robert A. Estey, Assessor
Betsy T. Booth, Welfare Director
David T. Lindberg, Building Inspector & Code Enforcement Officer
Richard Grondin, Deputy Building Inspector & Code Enforcement Officer
James W. Grigg, Health Officer

HIGHWAY:
Mark J. Fuller, Road Agent
Michael R. Clarke, Supervisor & Equipment Operator
Bruce C. Boles, Heavy Equipment Operator
Don R. Vachon, Light Equipment Operator
Matthew C. Ingham, Light Equipment Operator
David A. Horne, Light Equipment Operator

SOLID WASTE FACILITY:
Joseph E. Bloskey, Manager
Phillip G. Beaudet, Solid Waste Operator
Richard D. Filiatrault, Solid Waste Operator *(Part-Time)*
Paige Bloskey, Solid Waste Operator *(Part-Time)*

EQUIPMENT MECHANIC:
David Valladares, Mechanic

POLICE:
Douglas J. Scruton, Chief
Shawn C. Bernier, Lieutenant
Richard J. Smith, Patrolman *(Resigned)*
Terry J. Place, Patrolman
Reginald Meatty Patrolman
Brett J. Murray, Part-Time Patrolman
John Southwell, Part-Time Patrolman
Andrew S. Hall, Part-Time Patrolman
Kathryn B. Woods, Office Manager

TOWN OFFICIALS, EMPLOYEES & VOLUNTEERS

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER:
Brett J. Murray

RECREATION:
Russell Perrin, Director
Laura McCarthy, Day Care Director
Theresa Giles, Day Care Assistant
Lorin Stuart, Day Care Assistant

LIBRARY:
Duane Shaffer, Library Director
Donna M. Swett, Library Director *(Resigned)*
Shauna Bean, Library Assistant
Linda Labbe, Library Assistant
Marcia D. Berry, Custodian

GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS:
M. Dean Stimpson, Town Hall Custodian
Nicholas Bernard, Fire Station Custodian
Lawrence Corson, Keeper of the Clock

FIRE DEPARTMENT:
Brad Meyerriecks, Chief (*Career Level FF)*
John J. Nicastro, III, Deputy Chief *(Career Level FF/EMT)*
Theresa Jarvis, Captain *(Career Level FF/EMT)*
David Stuart, Lieutenant *(Career Level FF/EMT)*
Linda Roy *(EMT)*
Lon Berry, Sr. *(Truck Driver/Pump Operator)*
Chuck Rupprecht *(Photographer)*
Mark Jarvis *(Level I FF, EMT)*
Leon Smith *(Career Level FF)*
Lauryl Bernard *(EMT)*
Lonnie Berry, Jr. *(Level I FF)*
Mike Clarke *(Truck Driver/Pump Operator)*
Sean Edeman *(EMT)*
Courtney Kelly *(Level 1 FF / EMT)*
Mike Egeler *(Level I FF)*

CEMETERY:
Kevin Hodgson, Sexton

VITAL STATISTICS

Births Recorded in the Town of New Durham for the Year Ending December 31, 2003

Date	Child's Name	Parents Name	Place of Birth
February 11	Blake Henry Bolduc	Michael Bolduc Danielle Bolduc	Laconia
March 20	Dylan Charles McKay	Thomas McKay Lisa McKay	Rochester
March 28	William Joseph Day	William Day Bonnie Day	Rochester
April 8	Anna Elizabeth Roberge	Eric Roberge Maureen Roberge	Dover
April 17	William Thomas April	Keith April Carmella April	Portsmouth
June 3	Nia Ann Garland	Wayne Garland Cathy Garland	Dover
July 16	Gracie Rayne Hanson	Kris Hanson Ronnie Hanson	Dover
July 17	Kiley Elizabeth Page	Randall Page Brandy Page	Dover
July 18	Kylie Hope Ingham	Matthew Ingham Melissa Ingham	Wolfeboro
July 30	Ashlee Cole Larkin	Peter Larkin Nicole Larkin	Dover
August 11	Olivia Katherine Nicholson	Dean Nicholson Amy Nicholson	Dover

VITAL STATISTICS

Births Recorded in the Town of New Durham for the Year Ending December 31, 2003

Date	Child's Name	Parents Name	Place of Birth
August 13	Benjamin Derek Gosselin	Peter Gosselin Christine Gosselin	Dover
August 31	Reilly Evan Beaulieu	Stephen Beaulieu Myriah Beaulieu	Dover
October 10	Carly Marie Chretien	Bruce Chretien Darleen Chretien	Wolfeboro

Deaths Recorded in the Town of New Durham for the Year Ending December 31, 2003

Date of Death	Name	Place of Death
January 31	Leon L. Hall	New Durham
February 28	Roger M. Randall	Rochester
April 9	William A. McLaughlin	Rochester
April 10	Zelma G. Royce	New Durham
April 12	Virginia R. Taggert	New Durham
May 14	Clifford Cormier	Rochester
June 13	Philip J. Labor	Rochester
September 19	Robert E. Bickford	New Durham
November 18	James R. Beaulieu	Rochester

VITAL STATISTICS

Marriages Recorded in the Town of New Durham for the Year Ending December 31, 2003

Date	Name	Residence
January 4	Gregg A. Adjutant	New Durham
	Robin M. Dupuis	New Durham
April 28	Bruce R. Allen	New Durham
	Joy Ginn	New Durham
May 17	Michael D. Keevan	New Durham
	Eveline F. Mamoto	New Durham
June 14	Bradley N. Gilpatrick	New Durham
	Marcia K. Hughes	New Durham
June 21	Michael J. Bellington	New Durham
	Mariah S. Moses	New Durham
August 10	Scott A. Paulino	New Durham
	Charlene D. Collins	New Durham
August 23	Jeffrey F. Hertel	New Durham
	Erika M. Foster	New Durham
August 29	Corey A. Eastman	New Durham
	Brittany L. Boggs	New Durham
August 30	Peter M. Kelly	Rochester
	Grace E. Berry	New Durham
September 11	Frederico C. Corbezzolo	New Durham
	Shantane L. Wetherbee	New Durham

VITAL STATISTICS

Marriages Recorded in the Town of New Durham for the Year Ending December 31, 2003

Date	Name	Residence
October 4	Barry J. Carr	New Durham
	Kathye Pantanella	New Durham

I hereby certify that the above returns of births, marriages and deaths registered in the Town of New Durham, N.H., for the year ending December 31, 2003 are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Carole M. Ingham

Carole M. Ingham
Town Clerk

TOWN GOVERNMENT TALENT BANK

SERVE YOUR COMMUNITY

Town government needs citizens who are willing to give time in the service of their community. The Talent Bank is organized as a means of compiling names of volunteer citizens willing to serve on boards and committees. Names in this file are available for use by the Selectmen and Moderator, as well as all Town Offices.

Please complete the questions, indicate your areas of interest and return to:

Town Government Talent Bank
c/o Board of Selectmen
New Durham Town Offices
P.O. Box 207
New Durham, NH 03855-0207

NAME (Please Print) _____

ADDRESS _____ TEL. _____

OCCUPATION _____

SUMMARY OF BACKGROUND EXPERIENCE _____

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_____ _____
Name/Signature Date

List Order of Preference:

_____ Budget Committee

_____ Conservation Commission

_____ Parks & Recreation

_____ Fire Department

_____ Planning Board

_____ Zoning Board of Adjustment

_____ Other _____

NEW DURHAM CALENDAR

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Every Other Wednesday at 6:30 PM at the Town Hall

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Last Wednesday of every month at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall

LIBRARY TRUSTEES
First Tuesday of every month at 7:00 PM at the New Durham Public Library & Resource Center

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
First Tuesday of every month at 7:00 PM at the New Durham School

PLANNING BOARD
First & Third Tuesday of every month at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
Second Wednesday of every month at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall
(If hearings are scheduled -- check with Town Hall)

Town Clerk's Office

(Motor Vehicle Registration & Plates, OHRV Registrations, Boat Registrations, Voter Application Forms, Dog Licenses, Aqua Therm Permits, Dredge & Fill Permits, Marriage Licenses, Birth Records, Death Records)

Monday through Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to Noon

Tax Collector's Office

Monday through Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Saturday: 9:00 am to Noon

Planning, Zoning, Assessing & Town Offices

(Property Tax Cards, Current Use Applications, Timber Tax, Veterans & Elderly Exemption Forms, Tax Abatement Applications, Subdivision Applications, Special Exception & Variance Applications, Site Plan Review Applications, Oil Burner Permits, General Information)

Monday through Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Welfare Office:

Tuesday: 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Thursday: 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Second Saturday of the Month: 9:00 a.m. to Noon

Building Inspector / Code Enforcement

Thursday: 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to Noon

New Durham Public Library

Monday - Thursday: 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Transfer Station & Recycling Center

Tuesday & Thursday: 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.